

Fulton UCC Ladies Aid Minutes 1889 - 1921

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Frauen and *Jungfrauen* are translated as “Ladies” and “Young Ladies,” when referring to the organization. This is the customary usage in the Evangelical Church. Elsewhere, those same words are translated as “women” and “young women.”

Frauenverein is translated as society, as in “Ladies Aid Society” and *Verein* as the “society.”

Names are spelled as they are in the books. Many family names are variously spelled. For example

Wilhagen, Willhagen

Lorenz, Lorentz

Smith, Schmidt

Pirmann, Pirmann

Wichmann, Wichman

Neukomm, Neukom, Neucam, Neucham, Neukam

Those searching the CD for personal names should be aware of various spellings.

Context makes it clear that minutes of some meeting were not recorded in these books.

There are three books of Ladies Aid minutes:

Book 1: 1889-1898 100 pages in original; **printed here on pp. 2-34.**

Book 2: 1899-1905 100 pages in original; **printed here on pp. 35-68.**

Apparently a book is missing for years 1906-1912.

Book 3: 1913-1921 Original is not paged, but page numbers supplied from from 1 to 148; **printed here on pp. 69-115.**

English language begins in January 1920. These English-language minutes are included here, to complete the entire Book 3.

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[BOOK 1: 1889-1898]

**Minutes Book
Of the German Evangelical
Ladies and Young Ladies Society
At
Fulton, Mo.
Founded December 2, 1889**

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Fulton, Mo. **December 2, 1889**

At three o'clock in the afternoon a number of women and young women met in the church to organize an association, to approve the drafted constitution, and to elect officers. The meeting was opened with song and prayer. Then the constitution, which was read out loud by Pastor Meyer, was discussed and approved, on motion of Mrs. Berghauser. Officers elected were Mrs. Langenbach, President; Mrs. Fischer, Vice-President; Mrs. Lorenz, Secretary; and Mrs. Berghauser, Treasurer. Following songs and prayer, the meeting adjourned.

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**Constitution of the German Evangelical
Ladies and Young Ladies Society of Fulton, Mo.**

Article I. Name and Purpose of the Association

1. The society has and retains the name German Evangelical Ladies and Young Ladies Aid Society of Fulton, Mo.
2. The duty of the society is the nurture of Christian fellowship of its members, especially the loving assistance of the poor and needy inside and outside the congregation, and also participation in the work of domestic and foreign missions of the Evangelical Church.

Article II. Membership

1. The voting members of the society consist of women and young women who have a Christian character.
2. Whoever wants to be a member has to let this be known through a member of the society at a meeting, after which approval follows by vote at the next meeting.

Article III. Duties and Rights of a Member

A. Duties.

1. To pursue a decent and Christian way of life.
2. Regular attendance at the society's meetings.
3. Conscientious observance and fulfillment of the society's constitution.
4. To take care of sick members to one's ability and to take care of those in distress.

5. To contribute to the best of one's ability to the goals of the society through its monthly collections.

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6. To accompany deceased sisters to their final resting place.

B. Rights.

1. Each member has the right of speaking and voting at all meetings and may be elected to offices of the society.

2. Each member can claim the help of the society when in need and trouble, which the society's officers are aware of.

Article IV. [Officers]

A. Officers of the society.

1. The society elects at the first meeting of the year a President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

2. All officers may be re-elected for another term of office, except that one person can hold only one office at a time.

B. Their duties.

1. The President has to chair all meetings, call extra meetings when necessary, and also call all other meetings associated with the officers' performance of their duties.

2. The Vice-President takes over the President's place in her absence or on the wish of the President.

3. The Secretary has to record the minutes of the meetings, keep the roll of members, and take care of all correspondence.

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4. The Treasurer has management of the treasury, collects dues at meetings, and presents an account at meetings. At each half year she reports the income and expenses of the society. She is not permitted to spend any money without the instructions of the society.

Article V. Meetings.

1. The society meets once each month. The day can be set by the officers and the Pastor so that it can be announced in church.

2. All meetings will be held openly.

3. Order of business:

a. Opening with song and prayer.

b. Bible lesson, recited or read by the Pastor.

c. Roll call.

d. Reading of the minutes of the last meeting.

e. Application of new members.

f. Approval of those who applied in the last meeting.

g. Collection of dues.

h. Other business, etc.

i. Closing, song, prayer, and blessing.

Article VI. General Rules.

1. If a member voluntarily or otherwise leaves the society, she loses all claims to the assets of the society.

2. In the event that the society disbands, the assets cannot be shared among members, but must be distributed according to Article I, 2.

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3. The society has the right to alter its constitution or add amendments. However, that can take place only with the approval of two thirds of all members.

4. The founding of the society will be marked annually by a worship service celebration at which time a short report over its activities will be given.

5. The Pastor is an honorary member of the society.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with us all. Amen.

Approved December 2, 1889.

Mrs. Langenbach, President

Mrs. Fischer, Vice-President

Mrs. F. Lorenz, Secretary

Mrs. Berghauser, Treasurer

Mrs. Sartor

Mrs. Ed. Lorenz

Mrs. Backer

Miss Emma Weth

Miss Bertha Fischer

Miss L. Fischer

Miss G. Fischer

Miss L. Backer

Miss Emma Petri

Mrs. Schmidt

Mrs. Petri

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Fulton, Mo. **December 8, 1889**

The members of the German Ladies Aid met at three o'clock. The meeting was opened with song and prayer. Then the Pastor gave a talk about the first German Evangelical mission in India. Then roll was called. All were present except Mrs. Sartor. The two Mrs. Neukoms asked to become members of the society. Also a few male members of the church were present. The meeting adjourned following singing and prayer.

Ida Lorenz

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Fulton, Mo. **February 9, 1890**

The members of the German Ladies Aid met at three o'clock in the church. After song and prayer, Pastor Meyer gave a talk about the life of Indian women and the women in the missions in India. Then Mrs. Keller was approved as a member. After calling the roll, the meeting adjourned.

Ida Lorenz

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Fulton, Mo. **March 9, 1890**

At the meeting of the German Ladies Aid (after a talk by Pastor Meyer about married life) the vote was made to hold a festival for the benefit of the Evangelical Church. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned after singing and prayer. Absent were Mrs. John Neukom, Mrs. Langenbach, Mrs. Petri, Mrs. Sartor.

Ida Lorenz

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Fulton, Mo. **April 6, 1890**

The members of the German Ladies Aid met at 2:30 in the church. Pastor Meyer gave a talk about the Christian home. Discussed was whether we would buy the lamps from the Methodist church or not. Mrs. Langenbach, Mrs. Fischer, Mrs. Berghauser, and Mrs. Lorenz were asked to speak with the Methodist congregation how cheap the lamps could be bought, and if too expensive, to buy new ones. Pastor Meyer was asked to buy rugs, etc. for the new church, using his best judgment. Absent were Mrs. Keller and Mrs. Sartor. Following singing and prayer, the meeting adjourned.

Ida Lorenz

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Fulton, Mo. **December 12, 1890**

At the meeting of the German Ladies Aid the following the following officers were elected for 1891:

President	Mrs. John Langenbach
Vice President	Mrs. John Neukomm
Treasurer	Mrs. Rob. Keller
Secretary	Mrs. Fr. Lorenz

It was decided to give \$75 from the Ladies Aid treasury to the church congregation, with the approval of the whole society.

Ida Lorenz

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Fulton, Mo. **January 4, 1891**

Members of the Ladies Aid met at 2:30. The meeting was opened with singing and prayer. Pastor Meyer gave a talk. The following members were absent: Mrs. W.E. Berghauser, Mrs. Ed.

Lorenz, Mrs. Dan. Petri, Mrs. Con. Neukomm, and Miss Emma Petri. Since there was no more business, the meeting adjourned.

Ida Lorenz

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Fulton, Mo. **December 6, 1891**

The Ladies Aid met at three o'clock in the church. Pastor Meyer opened the meeting with singing and prayer, then read a story about "Hallowed be Thy Name."

The year ends with this month, so officers were elected for year 1892. President, Mrs. Langenbach; Vice-President, Mrs. Neukom; Treasurer, Mrs. Keller; Secretary, Mrs. Berghauser; Then Miss Louisa Körker was unanimously accepted in the society as a member. Members absent: Mrs. Gerhard Bäcker, Schmidt, Lorenz, Neukom, Sartor, H. Langenbach.

Pastor Meyer reported that Mrs. Keller gave him 14 dollars for payment of the interest on the church debt.

It has pleased almighty God in the year that is ending to take from this small group our dear sister, Eliese Fischer, from this world into eternity. The society mourns the grievous loss and keeps her in precious memory.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, Mo. **January 3, 1892**

The Ladies Aid met in the church at three o'clock. Pastor Meyer opened the meeting with song 183, Go forward on life's highway. Then he read the last part of previous story: Who sits under the umbrella of the Highest, remains in the protection of the Almighty. Then he gave a speech over the past year, thanked the Lord for abundant blessings, and besought aid and blessings in the coming year.

The society's constitution was read. Absent were Mrs. Langenbach, Mrs. Herman Langenbach, Fischer, Schmidt, Bäcker, Petri. Following prayer and singing, the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, Mo. **February 17, 1892**

Members of the Ladies Aid met at 2:30 in the church. The meeting was opened with singing and prayer. Then Pastor Meyer gave a talk. Absent were Mrs. Bäcker, Petri, Mrs. Herman Langenbach, Louise Keörker, Emma Petri, Bertha Fischer, Mrs. Meyer. After singing and prayer, the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, Mo. **March 16, 1892**

Today at two o'clock in the afternoon the Ladies Aid met in the church to hold its monthly meeting. Pastor Meyer opened the meeting with singing and prayer. Then he read the last of the story begun earlier: "Thy Kingdom come."

On motion of Mrs. Langenbach, Mrs. Gross was unanimously elected a member of the society. Absent were members Mrs. Keller, Mrs. Fischer, Mrs. Petri, Mrs. Meyer, Mrs. H. Langenbach, Miss Emma Weth, Bertha Fischer, Gusta Fischer, Emma Petri, Lotta Backer. After singing, prayer, and blessings, the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, Mo. **April 3, 1892**

The Ladies Aid met this afternoon at 2:30. Pastor Meyer opened the meeting with prayer and singing. Then he gave a farewell speech based on scripture. *Du sollst ein Segen seien!* Thou shalt be a blessing! He regretted that so many members were not present. However, those members who were present will always remember the admonishment he gave repeatedly: Thou shalt be a blessing! He warned us in the society with pleas to persevere in the society until a new Pastor comes and no more separation will take place.

After song and prayer the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, Mo. **May 1, 1892**

The Ladies Aid held their monthly meeting this afternoon at 2:30. Pastor Struckmeyer opened the meeting with singing and prayer. Then he gave a meaningful talk about the condition and work of Christian women. Absent members were Mrs. Gerhart, Mrs. Herman Langenbach, Miss Gusta Fischer, Luise Körker. After song, prayer, and blessing the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, Mo. **June 5, 1892**

The Ladies Aid met in the church this afternoon at 2:30. Pastor Struckmeyer opened the meeting with singing and prayer. Then Pastor Struckmeyer talked about Luke 19:1-6. He [Zacchaeus] sought to see Jesus. He then took him in his house with joy.

Then Mrs. Struckmeyer read several short stories beginning with the life history of a soldier who is leaving home, concerning the welcoming reception in his parents' house, and occupying a church pew while in the military. Oh, how easy it is to be courageous when sitting in the church for the last time.

Then, on motion of Mrs. Langenbach, Mrs. Struckmeyer was unanimously elected a member of the society.

Absent members were Mrs. Ed. Lorenz, Bäcker, Sartor, Gerhart, Crist, H. Langenbach, Guste Fischer, Luise Körker, and Mrs. Gross. After singing and prayer the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, Mo. **July 3, 1892**

The members of the German Ladies Aid met this afternoon at three o'clock in the church. Pastor Struckmeyer opened the meeting with singing and prayer. He talked about Matthew 25:1-12. Then he talked about giving the Sunday School children a festival or picnic. The society unanimously gave its approval. After discussion it was decided that the day will be Thursday, July 28. Then Mrs. Struckmeyer read a story.

On motion of Mrs. Neukom, Mrs. Kuss was unanimously elected a member of the society. Absent members were Mrs. Fischer, Mrs. H. Langenbach, Bertha Fischer, Gusta Fischer. After singing and prayer the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

Fulton, **July 14, 1892**

The Ladies Aid held its second meeting of the month today in the church. Pastor Struckmeyer opened the meeting with prayer and singing. The Pastor gave a reading about the story of the prodigal son. The Lord was not known to the young man.

The picnic was discussed some more.

After singing and prayer, the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **August 7, 1892**

The Ladies Aid met today at three o'clock in the church. Pastor Struckmeyer opened the meeting with singing and prayer. Then he read Matthew 20:1-13. He spoke about working in the vineyard of the Lord and admonished the members who were present to always be mindful of it.

Then, on motion of the Pastor, a committee was elected to thank Misters Keller, Lorentz, Hillig, Bäcker, and Mrs. Mayfield for the cheerful work that they have given to the Ladies Aid.

Absent members were Mrs. Fischer, Bäcker, Petri, Gerhart, Crist, Kuss, Gross, H. Langenbach, Emma Weth, Bertha Fischer, Gusta Fischer, Luise Keörker.

For closing, hymn 14 was sung. We left with God's blessing.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **September 18, 1892**

The Ladies Aid held their monthly meeting this afternoon. Pastor Vogelsang opened the meeting with singing. Then he read poems, the first the mother's watch at the sickbed of her child. The second, see, now the dreamer comes.

All members were present except two, and they were prevented from attending because of sickness.

After singing the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **October 2, 1892**

The Ladies Aid met at three o'clock in the church for its monthly meeting. Pastor Struckmeier opened the meeting with singing and prayer. Then he gave a farewell speech over Acts of the Apostles, 20:22. See now, I am bound in the Spirit, travel to Jerusalem, know not what I will meet with. Then he shook hands with all the women as a sign of departure. It was very unfortunate that so many members were absent. Only nine present, by count. Those who were present would always hold this moment in their memories, as the Pastor gave advice from Scripture and spoke of the courage that a weak person must have. Following prayer by the president the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **November 6, 1892**

The Ladies Aid met in the church at three o'clock. Pastor Berdan opened the meeting with song and prayer. Then he gave a talk over Genesis 2:21. God the Father let a deep sleep fall over man [Adam], and he slept. And he took one of his ribs and closed up the place with flesh.

Then the Pastor read the constitution of the Society.

On proposal of Mrs. Langenbach Mrs. Berdan was unanimously elected a member of the Ladies Aid.

It was decided to hold a festival for the betterment of the church.

Twelve members were absent. After singing and a prayer, the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **December 4, 1892**

The Ladies Aid met at three o'clock today in the church. Pastor Berdan opened the meeting with hymn 195, Do you know who always loves you more than I can tell you.

After prayer he spoke about Scripture, Genesis, 3:1-14.

Since the year ends with this month, the officers of the society were elected: President, Mrs. Fischer; Vice-President, Mrs. Neukom; Secretary, Mrs. Berghauser; Treasurer, Mrs. Schmidt.

On motion made and seconded, Mrs. Phil. Bäcker was unanimously elected a member of the society.

Absent members were Emma Weth, Guste Fischer, Emma Petri, Luise Körker.

After song and prayer the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **January 8, 1893**

The Ladies Aid held its monthly meeting today in the church. Pastor Berdan opened the meeting with song and prayer. Then he talked about Genesis 3:20-23.

Then, after calling the roll and reading the minutes, the Pastor read a moving story. Love never ends.

Absent members were Mrs. Bäcker, Petri, Sartor, Gerhart, Gross, and Mrs. Phil. Bäcker. Since there was no more business at hand, the meeting adjourned after singing and a prayer.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **May 2, 1893**

The Ladies Aid met today at 3 p.m. in the church. Pastor Berdan opened the meeting with song and prayer. Then he gave a talk over Genesis 4:1-8. Then he told a powerful story, "God's finger."

Then he proposed establishing a library. The proposal was unanimously approved, and the Pastor agreed to serve as manager and treasurer for this library. All contributions for the library are to be directed to him.

Adjournment with prayer and song.

Helene Berghauser, secretary
[written in Pastor Berdan's
handwriting]

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Fulton, **May 3, 1893**

The Ladies Aid met in the church at three o'clock. Absent were Mrs. Berghauser, Langenbach I and II, Keller, Gerhard, W. Backer and Phil. Backer, Petri.

Opening with song and prayer.

Reading of the library rules and approval of them.#

Collection [assessment] for the library will be in the amount of \$1.25 [per member] and is to be paid to Mrs. Schmidt.

Collection to the treasury of the Ladies Aid was \$3.25.

Mr. Aug. Fischer was present, and he was asked by the Ladies Aid if he will help with the wallpapering of the church.

Discussion followed with the decision that the church shall be wallpapered, as soon as finances permit it.

The church shall be cleaned for inspection.

After a closing of song and prayer, the meeting adjourned.

In the name of the sick secretary,
E. Berdan

Mrs. Christ Backer was unanimously accepted into the society and was welcomed by the Pastor.

Addendum: Mrs. D. Petri paid her contribution for the library to the Pastor on Thursday, March 30, 1893.

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[Note: This entry is out of sequence.]

Fulton, **April 2, 1893**

The Ladies Aid met this afternoon at 3 o'clock in the church. Pastor Berdan opened the meeting with hymn 71, Oh, you joyful Eastertide. Then he told a story about the mission in China.

Mrs. Schmidt reported that she paid five dollars out of the treasury for wallpapering the church.

The Pastor read the minutes of the last two meetings, which he himself had written.

According to the roll call, the following members were absent: Mrs. Langenbach, Keller, Gerhart, Crist, Gusta Fischer, Emma Petri, Lotte Backer, Mrs. Gross, Kuss, Phil. Backer, and Crist. Backer.

Following prayer and song, books were exchanged, and then the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **May 7, 1893**

The Ladies Aid held their monthly meeting at three o'clock in the church.

Pastor Berdan opened the meeting with singing and prayer. The he read a story about the condition of women in India and showed quite plainly how many blessings the Gospel bestowed to the female sex.

It was made known by calling the roll that no young ladies were present. Absent were Mrs Fischer, Keller, Schmidt, Gerhart, Crist, and Phil Bäcker. Following prayer and the blessing, books were exchanged, and then the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **June 4, 1893**

The Ladies Aid met today at 3 o'clock in the church. The Pastor opened the meeting with prayer and singing. Then he gave a talk over Genesis 3:17-18. Cursed be the ground for your sake; with sorrow shall you eat of it all the rest of your life. Thorns and thistles shall it bear for you, and you shall eat the herb of the field. In the sweat of your face shall you eat your bread, until you return back to the earth, from which you came. For you are of earth, and to earth you shall return. The President made the motion to hold a festival, but there were only thirteen members present, and so the matter was postponed. The Pastor asked the question why so many ladies were not present, but no one could give an answer.

For closing, prayer and blessings, then books were exchanged, and the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **July 2, 1893**

The Ladies Aid met at 3 o'clock in the church. Absent were Mrs. Keller, Gerhart, Crist, and Phi. Bäcker.

The Pastor opened the meeting with singing and prayer. Then he gave a Scripture lesson over Matthew 7:1. Judge not, so that ye be not judged.

The Pastor proposed to give a picnic for the Sunday School children. The proposal was unanimously approved.

Members who voted against the President's proposal made at the last meeting to hold a festival for the betterment of the church paid one dollar to the treasury.

Two young women asked for membership in the society.

Then books were exchanged. After prayer and the blessing, the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, August 6, 1893

The Ladies Aid met in the church at 3 o'clock in the afternoon of August 6. Pastor Berdan opened the meeting with hymn 204, Nearer my God to Thee.

The Pastor read, and explained the first part of the history of a mission.

Then he read the constitution of the society. He made a proposal about foreign missions, which was unanimously approved.

It was decided to hold the picnic for the Sunday School children on Thursday, August 17.

According to the roll call eight members were absent. Then books were exchanged.

After prayer and the blessing, the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

August 20, 1893

The Ladies Aid held a meeting on August 20 on request of the Pastor, the second meeting of the month. It was decided to hold a festival for the betterment of the church on September 5, and a business meeting in the home of the Vice President on Thursday, August 24.

H.B.

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Fulton, September 3, 1893

The Ladies Aid met at 3 o'clock in the church. Pastor Berdan opened the meeting with prayer.

Then he read the second part of the life history of missionary Bock.

Then decisions were made about the festival.

Eight members were absent.

Then books were exchanged.

Following blessings, the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

September 17, 1893

A second meeting of the society was held on September 17 on the request of the Pastor.

Mr. Wilhelm Bäcker was present and asked the society for money needed to pay the debt.

Members present unanimously denied it.

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Fulton, **October 1, 1893**

The Ladies Aid met on October 1 at 3 o'clock in the church. Pastor Berdan opened the meeting with hymn 176, Be faithful unto death.

Following prayer, he read the last part of the life history of missionary Beck and his blessed death.

With an impressive motion, the President was directed to deliver thanks to Mr. Neukom and his family for the willing work that they provided the Ladies Aid for the festival.

After the reading of the minutes, the Pastor spoke about missions.

Members absent were Mrs. Keller, Gerhardt, Crist, Gross, and Phil. Backer.

Then books were exchanged.

Following prayer and blessings, the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **November 5, 1893**

The Ladies Aid met in the church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Pastor Berdan opened the meeting with prayer and singing.

Then he presented a story about light and shadow.

Mrs. Wilhelmina Böcking of Colorado visited the society by her presence at the meeting.

Nine members were absent.

After reading the minutes, books were exchanged.

Then prayer and the blessing, and the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **December 10, 1893**

The Ladies Aid met at 3 o'clock in the church. Pastor Berdan opened the meeting with hymn 176, Be faithful until death.

Since the year is ending with this month, the officers for 1894 were elected. President, Mrs. Langenbach. Vice President, Mrs. John Veutam. Treasurer, Mrs. Schmidt. Secretary, Mrs. Berghauser.

The Pastor read a meaningful passage about light and shadows from the *Nordamerikanischen Kirchenleben* [North American Church Life, a magazine].

It was unanimously decided to give ten dollars from the society's treasury to the Evangelical Orphanage in St. Louis for Christmas.

Eight members were absent from the meeting.

After book exchange, prayer, and the blessing, the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **January 11, 1894**

The Ladies Aid held its monthly meeting this afternoon at three o'clock. The Pastor opened the meeting with singing and prayer.

Then he gave the annual report over the library. Everything was found in order.

He paid back the money borrowed from the treasury.

Then he read from the story begun earlier.

Books were exchanged.

Then prayer and the blessing, and then the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **February 11, 1894**

The Ladies Aid met at three o'clock in the church.

Pastor Berdan opened the meeting with hymn 159, Glorious shines the Master's mercy.

Absent were members Mrs. Langenbach, Mrs. John Neukom, Keller, W. Bäcker, Gerhardt, Berdan, Crist.

The collection amounted to \$2.35.

Books were exchanged.

The Pastor read more passages from the previous story about light and shadows.

Closed with prayer and the blessing.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **April 8, 1894**

The Ladies Aid met at three o'clock in the church.

The Pastor opened the meeting with hymn 176, Be faithful unto death.

Absent were members Mrs. John Neukom, Mrs. Fischer, Keller, Petri, Gerhart, Crist, Kuss, Cir. Bäcker.

The pastor read more excerpts from the previous story.

The collection amounted to \$3.

The books were exchanged.

After prayer and the blessing, the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **May 13, 1894**

The Ladies Aid held their monthly meeting at three o'clock in the church.

Pastor Berdan opened the meeting with singing and prayer.

All were present except four members: Keller, Gerhart, Crist, and Phil. Bäcker.

Then proceeded to the reading of the story over light and shadow.

The President asked if the society would be willing to pay on the church debt. On the proposal of the Pastor, it was unanimously approved.

The collection came to \$2.90.

It was agreed to have the church cleaned.

Then books were exchanged.
Closing with prayer and the blessing.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **June 13, 1894**

The Ladies Aid met today at 3 o'clock in the church. Opening with song and prayer.
Then, continuation of the story.
The following members were absent: Mrs. Keller, Gerhart, Berdan, Crist, and Kuss.
The collection came to \$2.85.
On suggestion of the Pastor, it was decided to ask the absent members to attend meetings.
Then books were exchanged.
Closing with prayer and the blessing.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **July 1, 1894**

The Ladies Aid held their monthly meeting today at 3 o'clock in the church.
The Pastor refreshed all attending members with cool water.
Then books were exchanged.
Then the Pastor opened the meeting with hymn 148, I will lift you up.
Eleven members were absent.
Then the Pastor read the closing of the story about church life in North America.
After prayer and the blessing, the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **August 5, 1894**

The Ladies Aid met in the church at 3 o'clock on the 5th of this month.
Pastor Berdan opened the meeting with hymn 132, Let me go.
After prayer Mrs. Isabell Bishop, nee Burk, gave a mission speech.
The Pastor proposed to give the Sunday School children a picnic. It was seconded by the Ladies Aid and approved.
On the wish of Mrs. Crist her name was stricken from membership in the Ladies Aid.
Four members were absent from the meeting.
Then books were exchanged.
Closing with prayer and the blessing.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **September 2, 1894**

The Ladies Aid met at 3 o'clock in the church. Absent were members Mrs. Fischer, Mrs. Lorentz, Mrs. Gerhart, Mrs. Keller, Mrs. Kuss, and Cir. Bäcker. [Note: This is the first time that "Mrs." is used in the German minutes instead of "Frau."]

The Pastor opened the meeting with hymn 176, Be faithful until death.

After prayer he read a story about remorse.

Then books were exchanged.

The collection amounted to \$2.20.

Closing with prayer and the blessing.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **October 7, 1894**

The Ladies Aid met today at the usual time in the church.

The Pastor opened the meeting with singing and prayer. Then he read the closing of the previous story.

Seven members were absent from the meeting.

The collection amounted to \$2.55.

Then books were exchanged.

Following prayer and the blessing, the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **November 4, 1894**

The Ladies Aid met in the church at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Books were exchanged.

Then the Pastor opened the meeting with hymn 204, Nearer, my God, to Thee!

Then he read a part of the previous story.

The collection amounted to \$3.95.

Six members were absent.

Mrs. Emilie Petri made the society happy with her presence.

Closing with prayer and the blessing.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **March 31, 1895** [sic]

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Fulton, **December 9, 1894**

The Ladies Aid met today at the regular time in the church.

Books were exchanged.

Then Pastor Berdan opened the meeting with hymn 64, Praise God, you Christians, all together. Then prayer, in which all the suffering and sick were brought before the throne of mercy for help, and all those who were absent made well again.

Nine members were absent on this day.

Since the year ended with this month, election of officers took place for year 1895.

But no new ones were elected. The old ones were re-elected.

Closing with prayer and the blessing.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **January 18, 1895**

The Ladies Aid met on this day at 3 o'clock in the church. Pastor Berdan opened the meeting with hymn 74, Be faithful until death.

Following prayer, the Pastor read the annual report of the library. All was found in good order.

Then books were exchanged.

Absent were members Mrs. Langenbach, Fischer, Ida Lorentz, Sartor, Gerhart, Berdan, Gross, Kuss, Ph. Bäcker.

Then the Pastor called the roll, and each member present answered with how much she could pledge to give monthly for the collection.

Then Mrs. Emilie Petri was unanimously approved as a member of the society.

Then the Pastor read the constitution of the society.

Then he gave a short talk and encouraged the members present to continue working in the new year.

Closing with prayer and the blessing.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **February 3, 1895**

The Ladies Aid held its monthly meeting in the church at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Opening by Pastor with hymn 159, Glorious shines the Master's mercy.

After prayer, the Pastor read a passage from the previous story.

Then books were exchanged.

On request of Mrs. Daniel Petri, her name was stricken from membership in the Ladies Aid.

The collection amounted to \$3.95.

Seven members were absent from the meeting.

Following prayer and the blessing, the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **March 10, 1895**

The Ladies Aid met at three o'clock in the church.

Pastor Berdan opened the meeting with hymn 176, Be faithful until death.

Following prayer, the Pastor read the end of the previous story.

Then books were exchanged.
Absent were members Mrs. Fischer, Keller, Schmidt, Kuss, and Phil. Bäcker.
The collection amounted to \$2.75.
Closing with prayer and the blessing.

Helene Berghauser

March 31, 1895

The Ladies Aid met on March 31 in the church. This meeting was held on the request of the President. It was announced in the morning worship service today.
Seven members were absent.
The Pastor opened the meeting with hymn 218, My soul is the Lord's.
Following the prayer, books were exchanged.
The President talked about holding a festival for the church. It was not agreed to, but postponed.
It was decided that the church will be cleaned.
Closing with prayer and the blessing.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, May 5, 1895

The Ladies Aid met this afternoon in the church at 3 o'clock. Pastor Berdan opened the meeting with singing and prayer.
Then he read several excerpts from a story about God's blessing in the children's room.
All were present except four members. Mrs. Fischer, Mrs. Berdan, Mrs. Kuss, and Mrs. Phil Bäcker.
The collection came to \$5.
Then books were exchanged.
Closing with prayer and the blessing.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, Mo., June 2, 1895

The Ladies Aid met at 3 o'clock in the church. Pastor Berdan opened the meeting with singing and prayer. Following the prayer, he read the end of the previous story.
Members absent were Mrs. Fischer, Mrs. Keller, Mrs. Ida Lorentz, Mrs. Berdan, Mrs. Gross, and Phil. Bäcker.
Mrs. Emilie Petri found an outstanding representative in her mother.
The Pastor proposed to have a Sunday School picnic. It was unanimously approved by the society.
Then books were exchanged.
The collection came to \$3.05.
Closing with prayer and the blessing.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **July 7, 1895**

The Ladies Aid met at 3 o'clock in the church. Pastor Berdan opened with hymn 204, Nearer my God to Thee.

Then he read an account of America two hundred years ago.

Then books were exchanged.

Absent from the meeting were Mrs. Keller, Mrs. Ed. Lorentz, Mrs. Berdan, Phil. and Christian Bäcker.

The collection came to \$2.60.

The meeting adjourned after prayer and the blessing.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **August 7, 1895**

The Ladies Aid met at the usual hour in the church. Opened by the Pastor with singing and prayer.

Then the Pastor gave a reading.

Then books were exchanged, and the roll was called. Six members were absent.

Following prayer and the blessing, the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **September 1, 1895**

The Ladies Aid met at 3 o'clock in the church. Pastor Berdan opened the meeting with hymn 2040, Where are found the soul, the home, the rest?

Following prayer, the Pastor read an interesting story.

Then books were exchanged.

Seven members were absent.

The collection amounted to \$2.20.

Closing with prayer and the blessing.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **October 7, 1895**

The Ladies Aid held their monthly meeting at 3 o'clock in the church. Opening by the Pastor with hymn 113, Jesus, lead forward.

After prayer the Pastor read another chapter of the previous story. The topic is how can I repay you.

Eight members were absent.

Then books were exchanged.

The collection came to two dollars.

Following prayer and the blessing, the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **December 27, 1895** [incorrectly written 1896]

The Ladies Aid met for the second time this month on the wish of the Pastor. He opened the meeting with singing and prayer. Then followed a speech to the members about their work in the year now closing.

Then the annual report of the library. All was found in order. The beautiful, new books were accepted with pleasure. The society thanked the Pastor sincerely for all his effort and for making the library such a good one.

The officers were elected for the new year. Mrs. Wilhelm Bäcker, President. Mrs. Christian Bäcker, Vice President. Mrs. Schmidt, Treasurer.

Six members were absent from the meeting.

Then books were exchanged.

Closing with prayer and the blessing.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **June 7, 1896**

The Ladies Aid met today at 3 o'clock in the church. Pastor Berdan opened the meeting with hymn 209, Only with Jesus will I become a pilgrim.

Following prayer, he read more passages from the previous story.

Then books were exchanged.

Absent from the meeting were Mrs. John Neukom, Ida Lorenz, Mrs. Berdan, and Phil. Bäcker.

The Treasurer read the 6-month treasury report.

The collection came to \$3.25.

Closing with prayer and the blessing.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **June 28, 1896**

The Ladies Aid met today on the wish of the Pastor with nine members present and six absent.

Opening with singing and prayer.

Then a lecture by the Pastor.

Then books were exchanged.

Following prayer and the blessing, the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **August 2, 1896**

The Ladies Aid met today in the church for their monthly meeting. Opening by the Pastor with singing and prayer. Then a reading.

Three members were absent.
There was one man in the meeting.
The collection amounted to \$2.05.
Then books were exchanged.
Closing with prayer and the blessing.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **September 6, 1896**

The Ladies Aid met at 3 o'clock in the church. The Pastor opened the meeting with singing and prayer. Then he read several excerpts from a previous story.
Three members were absent from the meeting.
The collection amounted to \$3.05.
Books were exchanged.
Closing with prayer and the blessing.

Helene Berghauser

Fulton, **September 27, 1896**

The Ladies Aid met today on request of the Pastor. Opening with hymn 204, Nearer my God to Thee!
After prayer, a reading.
Four members were absent from the meeting.
The collection amounted to \$2.05.
Then books were exchanged.
Following prayer and the blessing, the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **November 1, 1896**

The Ladies Aid met at 3 o'clock in the church.
Pastor Berdan opened the meeting with hymn 125, Do you know who loves you?
After prayer, he read more biographies of the martyrs.
All members were present except Mrs. Phil. Bäcker.
The collection amounted to \$3.35.
Then books were exchanged.
The beautiful new books were received with pleasure.
Upon proposal by the President, it was unanimously decided to send a box of gifts for Christmas to the Evangelical Orphanage in St. Louis.
Closing with prayer and the blessing.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **December 6, 1896**

The Ladies Aid met today at 3 o'clock in the church. Pastor Berdan opened the meeting with hymn 159, Glorious shines the Master's mercy.

After prayer, he read more stories of the martyrs of both sexes.

Then books were exchanged.

Absent were members Mrs. Langenbach, Fischer, Berdan, and Gross.

Since the year ends with this month, officers were elected, but only the old ones were re-elected.

The Treasurer presented her annual report. All was found in good order.

The collection amounted to \$2.50.

Closing with prayer and the blessing.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **January 10, 1897**

The Ladies Aid today held their monthly meeting.

Pastor Berdan opened the meeting with hymn 176, Be faithful unto death.

Following prayer, he gave the annual report over the library. All was in good order. The beautiful new books were welcome. The Pastor has tirelessly worked for the Ladies Aid. He founded and managed the library with diligence. The society is indebted to him.

Then he read two chapters of an interesting story.

Four members were absent from the meeting.

The collection came to \$2.60.

Closing with prayer and the blessing.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **February 7, 1897**

The Ladies Aid met at 3 o'clock in the church for their monthly meeting.

Opening by the Pastor with hymn 74, I rely on the strength of the Lord.

Then the Pastor read a story.

Books were exchanged.

Four members were absent from the meeting.

The collection came to \$2.60.

Closing with prayer and the blessing.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **March 7, 1897**

The Ladies Aid met at 3 o'clock today in the church.

Opening by Pastor Berdan with singing and prayer.

Then a reading.

Absent were members Mrs. Langenbach, Mrs. J. Neukomm, Mrs. Sartor, and Mrs. Berdan.

Books were exchanged.

The collection came to \$2.60.
Closing with prayer and the blessing.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **April 11, 1897**

The Ladies Aid met at 3 o'clock in the church.
Pastor Berdan opened the meeting with hymn 176, Be faithful unto death.
Absent were members Mrs. Langenbach, Fischer, and Berdan.
Then books were exchanged.
The collection came to \$3.00.
Closing with prayer and the blessing.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **May 2, 1897**

The Ladies Aid held their monthly meeting at 3 o'clock in the church.
Opening by Pastor Berdan with hymn 204, Nearer, my God to Thee!
After prayer, a reading.
Absent were members Mrs. John Neukomm, Mrs. Ed. Lorenz, and Mrs. Berdan.
Then books were exchanged.
The collection came to \$2.70.
Following prayer and the blessing, the meeting adjourned.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **June 27, 1897**

The Ladies Aid met in the church.
Pastor Berdan opened the meeting with singing and prayer.
Then he gave a farewell speech. He urged the society to carry on its duties and gave his best counsel for the future of the society. He thanked everyone. He turned over the library and the treasury to the two presidents [meaning the president and vice-president]. All was in good order, and all books were in their place.
Then books were exchanged.
The collection came to \$2.60.
Two members were absent from the meeting.
Closing with prayer and the blessing.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **August 8, 1897**

The Ladies Aid met today in the church.

The President opened the meeting with Psalm 103.
After prayer, books were exchanged.
All members were present.
The collection came to \$2.60.
Closing with prayer by the Vice President.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **September 5, 1897**

The Ladies Aid met today for its monthly meeting. Pastor Bode opened the meeting with hymn number 12, The Lord gives us mercy, peace, and blessings.
Then the Pastor gave a talk to the society. They decided to name a committee for the supervision of the sick and needy, both members and non-members of the congregation.
Then he read the constitution of the society.
Books were exchanged.
The meeting had the pleasure of a new member applying for membership.
Absent from the meeting were Mrs. Langenbach, Mrs. Fischer, Mrs. Conrad Neukom and Gross.
The collection came to \$2.60.
Closing with prayer and singing.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **October 3, 1897**

The Ladies Aid met at 3 o'clock today in the church. Opening by the Pastor with singing and prayer. The reading was a chapter from the New Testament.
Then the reading of the minutes.
All members were present except Mrs. Phillip Bäcker.
Then the Pastor read a life story.
Then books were exchanged
Mrs. Geren was unanimously accepted as a member of the society.
The society had the pleasure of a new member, Miss Rosa Lorentz, applying for membership.
Then a committee was named for the supervision of sick and needy, both members and non-members of the congregation.
It was decided to commemorate the founding of the society with a worship service celebration in the month of November.
The next meeting will take place on the first Wednesday of the month.
The collection came to \$2.60.
Closing with prayer and the blessing.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **November 3, 1897**

The Ladies Aid met in the parsonage at the request of the Pastor.

Opening with song and prayer.

The society had the pleasure of two new members applying for membership. Actually, they were former members, who had been absent for a long time, returned, and joy was taken in their return.

Then the constitution of the society was read.

The society will hold its anniversary celebration in this month.

After some more business was attended to, books were exchanged.

Two members were absent from the meeting.

The collection came to \$3.10

Closing with prayer and the blessing.

Helene Berghauser

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Fulton, **December 1, 1897**

Minutes of the December meeting.

The Ladies Aid met in the parsonage at 2:30. The meeting was opened by singing and prayer on the part of the Pastor. Then the Pastor read a story.

Since only eight members were present, the election of officers did not take place. Also, other business was postponed until the next meeting.

Then the members present decided to remember the Orphanage in St. Louis, as in previous years, with special Christmas gifts, consisting of clothing material, clothes already made, etc.

The society was pleased with the application of a new member, Miss Geren.

The collection came to \$2.45.

The meeting closed with prayer.

Helene Berghauser, Secretary

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Fulton, **January 5, 1898**

The Ladies Aid held their meeting at 2:30 in the afternoon in the parsonage. The meeting was opened with prayer.

Then the Pastor told a story of the golden ring.

The officers were elected for 1898. Mrs. Wilhelm Bäcker, President. Mrs. Konrad Neukom, Vice President. Mrs. Fritz Lorenz, Treasurer. Mrs. Christian Bäcker, Secretary.

The collection amounted to \$3.40.

Closing with prayer and the blessing.

Mrs. Christian Bäcker

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Fulton, **February 2, 1898**

The Ladies Aid met at 2:30 in the parsonage. The meeting was opened with prayer.

Then the Pastor read a story.

On proposal of the Pastor, it was decided that each member will celebrate her birthday, and each member is asked, both present and absent, to bring ten cents for her birthday, which shall go into the treasury of the society.

No members were absent.

Closing.

The collection came to \$2.50.

Closing with prayer and the blessing.

Mrs. Christian Bäcker

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Tuesday, **March 1, 1898**

The Ladies Aid met at 2:30 in the afternoon in the home of the Secretary. The Pastor opened the meeting with hymn 111.

After prayer he read a story about a Christian traveler.

Then it was decided to have the path by the parsonage made. Mr. Wichmann and Mrs. Fischer will do the work. Also, it was decided to buy a cloth for around the altar before Easter.

We again have the pleasure to receive a new member. We now have eight members since November in our society from our efforts.

The members took pleasure again over the proposal of a new member. May the Lord be pleased. It is the prayerful wish of each member of the society that more will join this year. All members of the society were present except two: Mrs. Philip Bäcker and Mrs. Geren.

The collection came to \$10.

Mrs. Christian Bäcker

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Wednesday, **April 6, 1898**

The Ladies Aid met at 2:30 in the afternoon in the parsonage. The Pastor opened the meeting with prayer.

Then he read us a passage about how one should pray.

Four members were absent: Mrs. John Neukom, Mrs. Konrad Neukom, Mrs. Emilie Petri, and Mrs. Philip Bäcker.

The collection came to \$3.50.

Closing with prayer and the blessing.

Mrs. Christian Bäcker

Monday, **April 25, 1898**

The Ladies Aid met at 2:30 in the afternoon in the home of Mrs. Fritz Lorenz. The Pastor opened the meeting with prayer.

That he read a story about a sketch of the life of a person from Berlin.

Then it was decided to buy a carpet for the church.

Seven members were absent.

The collection came to \$4.05.

[Mrs. Christian Bäcker]

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Wednesday, **June 1, 1898**

The Ladies Aid met at 2:30 in the afternoon in the church. The Pastor opened the meeting with hymn 21, Great God, we praise You.

Following the prayer, he read a story the a conversion of a freethinker.

The collection raised \$5.50.

The society thanked Mrs. Krösch for the beautiful gift.

Closing with prayer and the blessing.

Mrs. Christian Bäcker

July 3, 1898

The Ladies Aid met on July 3 at the home of Mrs. Konrad Neukom, Vice President. It was both the Ladies Aid meeting and birthday celebration held together.

The Pastor read a story about the death of a blasphemer. It was a very powerful story.

The Pastor noted that the rest of the re-painting of the church has yet to be paid.

Then followed the prayer at closing.

The collection came to \$4.25.

Charlotte Backer

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Wednesday, **August 3, 1898**

The Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. Katharine Bäcker where the Ladies Aid meeting was held with birthday celebrations.

The Pastor opened the meeting with prayer. Then he read a story about worrying.

A Sunday School festival was discussed.

The collection was \$4.15.

Closing with prayer.

Mrs. Christian Bäcker

Fulton, **September 7, 1898**

The Ladies Aid met September 7 at 2:30 in the afternoon in the church.

The meeting was opened with hymn 166, Where no Bible is in the house.

Then the Pastor read a story about the important visit of a preacher to a forest cottage.

Then followed the closing with prayer and the blessing.

The collection came to \$3.70.

Mrs. Christian Bäcker

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Fulton, **October 15, 1898**

The Ladies Aid met on October 15, at 2:30 in the afternoon in the church. The Pastor opened the meeting with singing and prayer.

Then he read a story above who is worthy to partake of Holy Communion.

It had been decided to hold the Founding Anniversary of the society on October 25, but it was postponed until November 8 because Pastor Meier could not come until that date.

Then followed the closing with prayer and the blessing.

The collection came to \$4.55.

[Mrs. Christian Bäcker]

November 2, 1898

The Ladies Aid met Wednesday, November 2, at 2:30 in the afternoon in the parsonage. The Pastor opened the meeting with prayer.

Then he read a story about a disbeliever.

The collection came to \$4.25.

Closing with prayer and the blessing.

Mrs. Christian Bäcker

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Tuesday, December 6, 1898

The Ladies Aid met at 2:30 in the afternoon in the home of Mrs. Fischer, where birthdays and the Ladies Aid both were held.

The Pastor opened the meeting with prayer. Then he read a story about one who doesn't listen to the Holy Spirit.

It was decided to send a box of gifts to the Evangelical Orphanage in St. Louis for Christmas.

The collection came to \$5.75.

Mrs. Christian Bäcker

NOTE: This is the end of the monthly minutes of Ladies Aid meetings in Book 1. The remaining pages contain annual lists of members and attendance at meetings.

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List of Members and Attendance, 1894?

	M	J	Jl	A	S	O	N	D
1 Mrs. Langenbach	x	x	x	x		x	x	x
2 Mrs. Fischer	x	x				x	x	x
3 Mrs. Lorenz	x	x	x	x		x	x	x
4 Mrs. Berghauser		x	x			x	x	x
5 Mrs. Ed Lorenz	x	x	x			x	x	
6 Mrs. Backer			x	x		x		
7 Mrs. Schmidt		x	x			x	x	
8 Mrs. Petri	x	x		x			x	x
9 Mrs. Sartor	x		x	x		x		
10 Miss Emma Weth			x	x		x	x	x
11 Miss Bertha Fischer		x		x		x	x	x
12 Miss Gusta Fischer		x					x	x
13 Miss Lizzie Fischer	x	x						
14 Miss Emma Petri		x	x	x			x	x
15 Miss Lottie Backer		x		x				x
16 Mrs. John Neucom	x	x	x	x		x	x	x
17 Mrs. Con Neucom		x	x	x		x	x	
18 Mrs. Keller	x		x			x		x
19 Mrs. Gerhardt	x		x				x	
20 Mrs. Meyer		x	x	x		x	x	x
21 Mrs. Herman Christ							x	x
22 Mrs. Her. Langenbach								

List of Members and Attendance, 1892?-1893?

	[months not known]														
1 Mrs. Langenbach	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
2 Mrs. Neucom	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
3 Mrs. Keller	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x		x	x		
4 Mrs. Fischer				x	x	x					x	x	x	x	x
5 Mrs. Lorenz	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x
6 Mrs. Ed Lorenz	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x
7 Mrs. W. Backer		x		x		x	x				x	x			x
8 Mrs. Schmidt		x	x	x	x	x	x	x			x	x	x	x	x
9 Mrs. Petri				x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x		x	x
10 Mrs. Sartor	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x		x		x	x
11 Mrs. Con Neucom	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x
12 Mrs. Gerhardt	x	x					x		x			x			
13 Mrs. Strukemeyer/Berdan	x		x				x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x
14 Mrs. Crist	x	x	x	x			x		x			x	x	x	x
15 Mrs. Hrm. Langenbach				x								x		x	
16 Miss Emma Weht	x		x	x			x		x			x	x	x	x
17 Mrs.? Bertha Fischer	x		x	x	x				x			x	x	x	x
18 Mrs.? Gusta Fischer	x		x				x	x			x		x	x	x
19 Mrs.? Emma Petri	x		x	x			x		x	x			x	x	x
20 Mrs.? Lotte Backer	x		x	x			x	x	x			x	x	x	x
21 Mrs.? Luise Keocker	x	x	x				x		x	x	x		x	x	x
22 Mrs. Gross				x			x	x			x	x	x	x	x
23 Mrs. Kuss							x	x			x	x	x	x	x
24 Mrs. Phil. Backer							x								
25 Mrs. Christ Backer							x	x						x	x
26 Mrs. H. Berghauser	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x

List of Members and Attendance, 1896-1897

	[months not known]	1897
1 Mrs. Langenbach	x x x x x x	x x x x x
2 John Neucam	x x x x x x	x x x x x x
3 Fischer	x x x	x x x x
4 Lorenz	x x x x x x	x x x x x x
5 Ed. Lorenz	x x x x x x	x x x x x x
6 W. Backer	x x x x x x	x x x x x x
7 Schmidt	x x x x x x	x x x x x x
8 Sartor	x x x x x x	x x x x x x
9 Con. Neucham	x x x x x x	x x x x x x
10 Berdan		x x x
11 Petri	x x x x x x	x x x x x x
12 Gross	x x x x x	x x x x x x
13 Phil. Backer		
14 Crist. Backer	x x x x x	x x x x x x
		x x
		x
		x x
Collections for year 1896		x x
January 4.30		x x
February 2.55		x
March 4.75		x
April 2.50		x
May 3.25		x
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List of Members and Attendance, **Year?**

	[months not known]												
1 Mrs. Langenbach	x		x	x	x			x	x	x	x	x	x
2 John Neucam	x			x	x				x	x	x	x	x
3 Fischer	x	x		x	x			x		x	x		
4 Keller													
5 Lorenz	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x		x	x	
6 Ed. Lorenz	x	x	x	x	x	x		x				x	x
7 W. Backer			x	x	x			x	x	x	x		x
8 Schmidt	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x		x
9 Petri	x			x	x			x	x		x	x	x
10 Sartor	x	x	x	x	x			x	x	x	x	x	
11 Con. Neucham	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x
12 Gerhardt													
13 Berdan	x		x	x				x	x	x			x
14 Crist													
15 Gross	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x		x
16 Kuss	x	x		x									
17 Ph. Backer	x	x	x		x	x		x	x				
18 Crist. Backer	x	x		x	x	x		x		x	x	x	x
19 H. Berghauser	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x

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List of Members and Attendance, 1895

[eleven months, not identified]

1	Mrs. Langenbach		x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
2	John Neucham	x		x		x	x	x	x				x	
3	Fischer				x			x	x	x				
4	Keller	x				x								
5	F. Lorenz			x	x	x		x	x	x				
6	Ed. Lorenz	x	x	x	x	x	x			x				x
7	W. Backer	x	x	x		x	x	x	x				x	x
8	Schmidt	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
9	Sartor	x	x	x	x	x	x	x						
10	Petri	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
11	Con. Neucham	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
12	Berdan		x	x	x				x	x	x			
13	Gross		x	x		x		x		x				x
14	Kuss													
15	Ph. Backer													
16	Crist. Backer	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x

List of Members of the Society

Langenbach

John Neukom

Fischer

Keller

Ed. Lorenz

17	H. Berghauser	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
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List of Members and Attendance, **January 1, 1898**

[eight months, not identified, but likely begins with Jan]

1	Mrs. John Bäcker	x	x			x	x	x	x
2	Gross		x	x		x	x	x	x
3	Geren			x		x	x	x	
4	Fischer	x		x	x	x	x		x
5	Langenbach		x	x	x		x	x	x
6	John Neukam		x		x	x	x	x	x
7	Konrad Neukam		x		x	x	x		x
8	Daniel Petri		x	x			x	x	
9	Sartor		x	x	x	x	x	x	
10	Wilhelm Bäcker	x	x	x		x	x	x	x
11	Ed Lorenz		x	x		x	x	x	x
12	Berghäuser		x	x	x	x		x	x
13	Fritz Lorenz	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
14	Schmidt	x	x	x	x		x	x	x
15	Phillip Bäcker		x					x	
16	Tille Geren		x	x			x	x	x
17	Wichmann	x	x			x	x		
18	Rosa Lorenz	x	x						
19	Kristian Bäcker	x	x	x					
20	Fränk	x	x			x		x	x
21	Emilie Petri	x	x			x	x	x	
22	Alke			x				x	x

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[BOOK 2: 1899-1905]

**[Minutes Book
Of the German Evangelical
Ladies Aid Society
at
Fulton, Mo.]**

January 8, 1899

Minutes of the January meeting.

On Sunday, January 8, the Ladies Aid met in the church.

The meeting was opened by singing and prayer. Then the Pastor read a story about a "taproot."

Then it was decided to help Mr. Sulzer, who is sick and finds himself in a needy situation. It was decided to buy him each day a quart of milk, along with crackers and 30 pounds of flour.

Then the election of officers for the year took place. The following members were elected:

President, Mrs. Gross

Vice President, Mrs. Ed. Lorenz

Secretary, Matilda Geren

Treasurer, Mrs. Fritz Lorenz

The monthly collection came to \$2.75.

The meeting was closed with prayer and the blessing.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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February 1, 1899

Minutes of the February meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on February 1 in the parsonage.

The meeting was opened with singing and prayer. Then the Pastor read a story "I do not think of dying."

Then the Pastor proposed that we would do something to pay off the church debt. It was agreed that we could make a quilt to sell as a start.

The monthly collection came to \$2.25.

The Society was recently saddened by the death of one of its members, Mrs. John Backer. She joined the society in December 1897 and proved herself a faithful member of it. She was absent at only one meeting. Each member holds Mrs. Backer in dearest memory.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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March 1, 1899

Minutes of the March meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on March 1 in the parsonage.

The meeting was opened with singing and prayer. Then the Pastor read a story. It was decided that the usual collection will still be raised for those who do not celebrate their birthdays.

The monthly collection came to \$4.20.

The meeting was closed with prayer and the blessing.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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April 5, 1899

Minutes of the April meeting.

The Ladies Aid accepted an invitation from Mrs. Konrad Neukomm to a birthday celebration and met at her home on Wednesday afternoon, April 5.

The meeting was opened with prayer. Then the Pastor read two stories, "When the need is greatest, God is nearest," and "A hidden treasure in a poor man's shack."

The collection amounted to \$3.55.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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May 18, 1899

Minutes of the May meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on May 18 at Mrs. Friedrich Lorenz' home for a birthday celebration and its monthly meeting.

The meeting was opened with prayer. Then the Pastor presented a message, "Whether dancing is a sin."

Then it was decided that the women would pay for the repair of the parsonage for a sum of \$13.97.

Second, it was decided that Mrs. Sulzer will clean the church and pay her \$3.00 for it.

Then it was agreed that we would begin work on another quilt.

The monthly collection came to \$3.30.

Then the meeting adjourned.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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June 6, 1899

Minutes of the June meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Tuesday, June 6, at the home of Mrs. Petri for a birthday celebration and its monthly meeting.

The meeting was opened with prayer. Then the Pastor presented a message, "The village in the hills."

The monthly collection was \$3.10.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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July 5, 1899

Minutes of the July meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday, July 5, at the home of Mrs. Gross for a birthday celebration and its monthly meeting.

The meeting was opened with prayer, after which Pastor Bode read a story.

The collection was \$3.45.

Then followed adjournment until the next meeting.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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August 3, 1899

Minutes of the August meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, August 3, at the home of Mrs. John Neukomm for a birthday celebration and its monthly meeting.

The meeting was opened with prayer, after which Pastor Bode read a story about the "Holy Sabbath."

Then it was decided that the Ladies Aid would celebrate its tenth anniversary on Sunday evening, September 17.

It was also decided that the Ladies Aid should pay the thirty dollars in arrears for the Pastor's salary.

The monthly collection came to \$2.75.

Then the meeting adjourned.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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September 11, 1899

Minutes of the September meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Monday, September 11, at the home of Mrs. Daniel Petri for a birthday celebration and its monthly meeting.

The meeting was opened with prayer, after which Pastor Bode read a passage "Why conversion is necessary."

It was decided that Mrs. Sulzer would clean the church for the anniversary festival, and that a small improvement to the pulpit will be made.

The monthly collection came to \$3.00.

Then the meeting adjourned.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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October 3, 1899

Minutes of the October meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, October 3, at the home of Mrs. Sartor for a birthday celebration and its monthly meeting.
The meeting was opened with prayer, after which Pastor Bode gave a presentation on the topic "Why did Moses receive the law?"
Then it was decided that the women will hold a supper on October 19 and that the income be turned over for payment on the church debt.
The monthly collection came to \$4.00.
Then the meeting adjourned.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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November 8, 1899

Minutes of the November meeting.
The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday, November 8, in the parsonage for its monthly meeting.
The meeting was opened with prayer. Then Pastor Bode delivered a short message.
It was decided that we pay off the church debt with \$46.00 from the supper and \$34.00 from the society's treasury for a total of \$80.00.
Then it was decided, as in other years, to send a box of gifts to the Orphanage in St. Louis for Christmas.
The monthly collection came to \$3.05.
Then the meeting adjourned.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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December 5, 1899

Minutes of the December meeting.
The Ladies Aid met on Tuesday, December 5, in the home of Mrs. Fischer for a birthday celebration and its monthly meeting.
The meeting was opened with prayer. Then Pastor Bode read a story about the holy carpenter.
As last year, it was decided to send \$12 again to support a girl in India.
The monthly collection came to \$3.65.
Then adjournment.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

[This is a continuation of the annual report from p. 13]

The total of the all expenditures came to \$165.97.

In all respects we can comfortably say that it was a blessed year for the Ladies Aid.

Matilda Geren

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Annual Report for 1899

All monthly meetings, except four, were held in conjunction with birthday celebrations.
The average attendance at meetings was 12.

The monthly collections came to \$40.23.

One new member joined during the course of the year. One died.

Among the activities of the society was, at the beginning of the year, the aid given to a family. In May \$13.97 was given for repair on the parsonage. In August \$30 was paid for the Pastor's salary, which was in arrears. In October the Ladies Aid held a supper for payment of the church debt. Also two quilts were made during the past year. One was given to Pastor Bode for Christmas, and the income from the other was used for payment on the debt.

For participation in the foreign missions annually \$12 was sent for the support of a woman in India. Also a box of gifts was sent to the Orphanage in St. Louis. In total the Ladies Aid turned over \$110 for the church debt, so that only \$40 debt remains. (Continued on bottom of p. 12)

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January 4, 1900

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, January 4, in the home of Mrs. Berghauser for its monthly meeting and birthday celebration.

The meeting was opened with prayer. Then Pastor Bode read a story about a heathen in south Africa.

It was time again for the election of officers for the coming year, and the previous ones were re-elected.

Then the annual report was read and approved.

The monthly collection came to \$3.65.

Then adjournment.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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February 6, 1900

Minutes of the February meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Tuesday, February 6, in the home of Mrs. Edward Lorenz for its monthly meeting and birthday celebration.

The meeting was opened with prayer. Then Pastor Bode read a story about the life of a famous man named Woltersdorf.

The monthly collection came to \$3.70.

Since no further business was at hand, the meeting adjourned.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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March 7, 1900

Minutes of the March meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday, March 7, in the home of Mrs. Christian Backer for its monthly meeting and birthday celebration.

The meeting was opened with prayer. Then Pastor Bode read a story about "patience."

Then it was decided that we will pay off the full \$40 of the church debt. But since we were still short \$3, it was taken from the money set aside for the poor, which then will be replaced by next month's meeting.

The monthly collection was \$3.10.

Adjournment followed.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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April 4, 1900

Minutes of the April meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday, April 4, in the parsonage for its monthly meeting.

The meeting was opened with prayer. Then Pastor Bode read a story about a "wonderful answering of a prayer."

It was decided, since the President has moved away and we failed to elect a new one, that Pastor Bode chair the meeting as up to now.

Second, that Mrs. Sulzer agreed to the \$3 to clean the church.

The third decision was that the Ladies Aid contributed \$3.00 to the church collection for the starving in India.

The monthly collection was \$4.10.

The meeting was closed with prayer.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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May 2, 1900

Minutes of the May meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday, May 2, in the church for its monthly meeting.

Pastor Bode opened the meeting with prayer and then read a story about a "hill man."

An invitation was issued to the society on May 2 to take part in the Union Missionary Meeting that is taking place in Fulton. The annual report of the German Ladies Aid Society was read at it.

The monthly collection was \$3.15.

There being no other business, the meeting closed with prayer.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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June 14, 1900

Minutes of the June meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, June 14, at the home of Mrs. Ewald Petri for the birthday celebration and monthly meeting.

Pastor Bode opened the meeting with prayer and then made a short speech to the Society to encourage us to attend meetings diligently and not let ourselves stay away for every little thing.

The monthly collection was \$3.20.

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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July 3, 1900

Minutes of the July meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday, July 3, in the parsonage, in the new school room, for its monthly meeting. [A room of the parsonage had been converted into a school room, when the parsonage was enlarged.]

Pastor Bode opened the meeting with prayer and then read a story of a missionary.

The monthly collection came to \$3.15

The meeting closed with prayer.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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August 2, 1900

Minutes of the August meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, August 2, in the home of Mrs. Langenbach for the birthday celebration and its monthly meeting.

The meeting was opened with prayer, and then Pastor Bode read a short story.

It was decided that the Ladies Aid hold an "Ice cream social." It would be held in the evening of August 16 in the church yard. The result of this totaled \$32.40.

At this time the quilt, which the ladies in the previous year began, was now finished and presented as a gift to the Pastor.

The monthly collection came to \$3.45.

Then the meeting was adjourned.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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September 3, 1900

Minutes of the September meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday, September 3, in the school room for its monthly meeting.

The meeting was opened with prayer. Then Pastor Bode read a passage on the topic "From hope to future repentance."

The children's festival was discussed, and it was agreed that it would be held at Mr. Velte's house.

The monthly collection came to \$1.63.

Then the meeting adjourned with prayer.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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October 3, 1900

Minutes of the October meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday, October 3, in the home of Mrs. Sartor for a birthday celebration and its monthly meeting.

The meeting was opened with prayer. Then Pastor Bode read a short story about "Trust in God rewarded."

The monthly collection came to \$4.90.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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November 8, 1900

Minutes of the November meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, November 8, in the school room for its monthly meeting.

The meeting was opened with prayer. Then Pastor Bode read something about "A Christian for life."

It was decided to hold the Ladies Aid festival on Sunday morning, November 18.

The annual festival was cancelled for lack of a suitable room.

The monthly collection came to \$2.85.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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December 6, 1900

Minutes of the December meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, December 6, in the home of Mrs. Fischer for a birthday celebration and its monthly meeting.

The meeting was opened with prayer, after which Pastor Bode read a short passage with the title "God is a righteous judge."

It was decided that we pay \$30.00 on the parsonage debt.

The monthly collection was \$3.20.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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Annual Report for 1900

During the year, seven meetings were held with birthday celebrations, and the other five were held in the parsonage and church.

The average attendance during the year was eleven to twelve.

One new member was approved, and one moved away.

Among the activities of the society, the following are reported:

In March the last \$40 of the church debt was paid off. In April \$3.00 for starving people in India was given. In May and June new communion cloths and curtains for the school room were bought. In August \$30 on the Pastor's salary was paid. Also in that month an ice cream supper was held that raised \$32.40.

Since some changes took place in the parsonage in the spring, the Ladies Aid undertook to pay off a part of the debt. In December \$50.00 was paid for that.

Twelve dollars was sent for the orphan children in India.

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Also clothing was sent to the Orphanage in St. Louis

The Ladies Aid was pleased to give gifts at Christmas to Pastor Bode and Miss Lorenz, the organist of the congregation, for their offices.

Now we are again entering a new year and we hope we will again be able to carry out our work quietly.

We are all still together. None of our members was taken from us this past year, and if we now continue as one and remain faithful, then, although our work is not huge, nevertheless it is enough for eternity.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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January 3, 1901

Minutes of the January meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, January 3, in the school room for its monthly meeting.

The meeting was opened with prayer. Then Pastor Bode read a passage from the life history of John Newton.

Then the election of officers was held.

Pastor Bode as chairman of the society

Vice President, Mrs. Ed. Lorenz

Secretary, Matilde Geren

Treasurer, Mrs. Fritz Lorenz

The annual report was read and approved.

The monthly collection was \$2.85.

Matilde Geren, Sec.

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February 7, 1901

Minutes of the February meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on the first Thursday in February in the home of Mrs. Hermann Langenbach for a birthday celebration and its monthly meeting.

Pastor Bode opened the meeting with prayer, followed by a reading.

The monthly collection was \$4.25.

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March 7, 1901

Minutes of the March meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, March 7, in the school room for its monthly meeting.

The meeting was opened with singing and prayer.

Then Pastor Bode read two short passages, one with the title "Who takes pity on the poor gives to the Lord" and the other one Proverbs 20:17.

Also we were asked about a loan of \$3.85 to cover the cost for fire insurance. The Ladies Aid consented to this.

The monthly collection was \$3.55.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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April 4, 1901

Minutes of the April meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, April 4, in the school room for its monthly meeting.

The meeting was opened with singing and prayer.

Then Pastor Bode read a letter from the new epileptic institution [Emmaus House] near St. Charles. In association with them as an Evangelical institution, the Ladies Aid decided to give the institution \$6.00.

The monthly collection was \$2.55.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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May 1, 1901

Minutes of the May meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on May 1 in the home of Mrs. Konrad Neukom for a birthday celebration and its monthly meeting.

Pastor Bode opened the meeting with prayer and then read a story with the title "Follow your faith."

It was decided that the church would be cleaned.

Further, it was decided that the Ladies Aid would buy new mats for the church. Mrs. Lorenz, Mrs. Frank, Mrs. Phil Backer, and Cr. Bäcker were named a committee to take care of this.

The monthly collection was \$3.85.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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June 5, 1901

Minutes of the June meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on June 5 in the school room for its monthly meeting.

Pastor Bode opened the meeting with prayer and read two short stories.

It was decided that we give an ice cream supper in the church yard this month.

The monthly collection was \$2.30.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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July 3, 1901

Minutes of the July meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on July 3 in the school room for its monthly meeting.

The meeting was opened with prayer. Then Pastor Bode read two short stories.
The monthly collection was \$3.85.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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August 8, 1901

Minutes of the August meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, August 8, at the home of Mrs. Ewald Petri for its monthly meeting and birthday celebration.

Pastor Bode opened the meeting with prayer. Then he followed with a reading about Engelbert Ewärtson.

It was decided to hold a picnic in August.

The monthly collection was \$4.65.

Since this is the last meeting that we will have with Pastor Bode, the Society must express its regrets that our Pastor will sever his ties with us.

The Society recognizes that Pastor Bode always took great efforts to care for the welfare of the Society. When problems and annoyances happened, he always strove to settle them with peace and agreement and achieved it completely. The monthly meetings and birthday celebrations together will always remain with us as beautiful memories.

The Society wishes for the Pastor many blessings and happiness in his new field of labor. That things go well with him and that he is allowed one day to hear the words of scripture: "You have been faithful in all things. I will use you above all for the Lord's pleasure."

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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September 4, 1901

Minutes of the September meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday, September 4, in the school room for its monthly meeting.

The meeting was opened with prayer. Then Pastor Bode gave a reading about the life history of John Elliott, a missionary among the American Indians.

The monthly collection was \$2.75.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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October 1, 1901

Minutes of the October meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Sunday afternoon in the church for its monthly meeting.

Pastor Bode opened the meeting with prayer and read a chapter from the Bible. Then he gave a farewell speech.

The monthly collection was \$3.30.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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November 3, 1901

Minutes of the November meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Sunday afternoon in the church for its monthly meeting.

Since at this time we are without a Pastor, Mrs. Bäcker opened the meeting with prayer. A reading from the Bible followed.

It was decided that the Society give \$13.00 to pay for the travel expenses of Pastor Waldmann who gave a trial sermon.

The monthly collection was \$2.90.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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December 1, 1901

Minutes of the December meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Sunday afternoon in the church for its monthly meeting.

The meeting opened with prayer and the reading of a Psalm.

The Society decided that a box of clothes be sent to the Orphanage.

Second, it was decided that \$12.00 be sent to India for the support of a child.

The monthly collection was \$2.65

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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Annual Report for 1901

This year 9 monthly meetings were held in the school room or church, and 3 with birthdays. The average attendance was 11. The total collection for the year was \$39.45 in comparison to \$42.40 the previous year. The number of members is 22.

In March \$3.85 was paid for fire insurance for the parsonage and church.

In April \$6.00 was sent to the Epileptic Institution near St. Charles.

In May new mats were bought for the church.

In June an ice cream supper took place in the church yard. The receipts of \$30.00 went to pay the Pastor's salary.

In the August meeting it was decided to give \$15.00 to the Pastor's salary.

In October Pastor Bode held his last meeting with the Ladies Aid.

In November the Ladies Aid gave \$13.00 towards the cost of travel expenses of Pastor Waldmann.

In December a box of clothes was sent to the Orphanage and also \$12.00 to India for the support of a child. This ends the activities of the Society for the year now ending.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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January [2], 1902

Minutes of the January meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, January 2, in the home of Mrs. Berghauser for its monthly meeting and birthday celebration.

The meeting was opened by Pastor Bierbaum with a reading from the Bible and a prayer. It was decided that the Ladies Aid would be responsible for \$50 of the Pastor's salary in the event that the Pastor receives \$400.

Further, it was decided that each member celebrates her birthday.

The election of officers was postponed until the next meeting.

The monthly collection was \$4.55.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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February 5, 1902

Minutes of the February meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, February 5, in the home of Mrs. Edward Lorenz for its monthly meeting and birthday celebration.

The meeting was opened with prayer and a reading from Holy Scripture.

It was decided to have the parsonage cleaned before the arrival of the new Pastor.

The matter of the library was discussed by several members. It was hoped that more would use the books.

The monthly collection was \$3.30.

Matilda Geren

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March 6, 1902

Minutes of the March meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, March 6, in the home of Mrs. John Neukom for its monthly meeting and a birthday celebration.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Pastor Moritz. Then he gave a reading.

The election of officers, which for this year had not yet taken place, was held. Those of the past year were re-elected.

The votes taken in this meeting were the following:

First, the old books of the Ladies Aid would be given to the Sunday School.

Second, that the church would be cleaned at the beginning of April.

The monthly collection was \$3.50.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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April 10, 1902

Minutes of the April meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, April 10, in the school room for its monthly meeting.

Pastor Moritz opened the meeting with prayer. Then he gave a reading that was about the contemplation of salvation.

Since no further business was at hand, the meeting closed with prayer.

The monthly collection was \$3.03.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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May 7, 1902

Minutes of the May meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday, May 7, in the school room for its monthly meeting.

The meeting was opened with prayer, and then Pastor Moritz gave a reading.

The monthly collection was \$2.10

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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June 4, 1902

Minutes of the June meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday, June 4, in the school room for its monthly meeting.

Pastor Moritz opened the meeting with prayer, then followed it with a short reading.

It was decided that the Society buy a new Bible for the pulpit and that Pastor Moritz have charge of taking care of it.

The monthly collection was \$4.05.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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July 3, 1902

Minutes of the July meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, July 3, in the home of Mrs. Ewald Petri for a birthday celebration and its monthly meeting.

Pastor Moritz opened the meeting with prayer and further reading about the contemplation of salvation.

It was decided at this meeting to have an ice cream festival in the church yard on July 17 and to buy four dozen ice cream plates for it.

The monthly collection was \$3.20.

The income of the festival was \$34.00.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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August 6, 1902

Minutes of the August meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday, August 6, in the school room for its monthly meeting.

Pastor Moritz opened the meeting with prayer and a reading about the contemplation of salvation, the 7th passage entitled the "shining light."

It was unanimously decided that the income from the festival, \$34.00, be used for payment on the debt and that another \$12.00 of money from the treasury be added to make a total of \$46.00 to be turned over for debt payment.

Also it was decided to celebrate the children's festival on August 14.

The monthly collection was \$2.00.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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September 3, 1902

Minutes of the September meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday, September 3, in the school room for its monthly meeting. Pastor Moritz opened the meeting with prayer and further reading about contemplation of salvation.

Since no further business was at hand, the meeting closed with prayer and singing.

The monthly collection was \$2.95.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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October 1, 1902

Minutes of the October meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday, October 1, in the school room for its monthly meeting.

Pastor Moritz opened the meeting with prayer and a reading.

It was decided that the Ladies Aid will hold a festival.

The monthly collection was \$3.25.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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November 6, 1902

Minutes of the November meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, November 6, in the home of Mrs. Frank for its monthly meeting and a birthday celebration.

Pastor Moritz opened the meeting with prayer and a further reading about the contemplation of salvation.

The monthly collection was \$3.05.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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December 4, 1902

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, December 4, in the home of Mrs. Fischer for its monthly meeting and a birthday celebration.

Pastor Moritz opened the meeting with prayer and a reading about "Emmaus."

It was decided to send a box to the Orphanage, \$12.00 to India, and \$4.39 to the Emmaus Home.

The monthly collection was \$5.00.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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During this year meeting were held six months in the school room and six months with birthday celebration.

The average attendance was 9, compared to 11 in the previous year. Fourteen members celebrated their birthdays and eight did not celebrate, but money was collected from one.

The total amount from monthly collections was \$40.00, compared to \$39.00 in the previous year.

In June it was decided to buy a new Bible, and also \$25.00 was paid for the Pastor's salary.

In July an ice cream supper was held. Income from it was \$34.00 and with \$12.00 from the treasury a total of \$46.00 was given for payment on the parsonage debt.

In October the Ladies Aid festival was held, and the collection of \$4.39 was sent to the Epileptic Home near St. Charles.

In December a box of clothes, comforts, and quilts was sent to the Orphanage. In addition \$12.00 was sent for the support of a child in India.

Also, the Society was pleased to present gifts to the Pastor and organist at Christmas.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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January 25, 1903

Minutes of the January meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Sunday, January 25, in the church for its monthly meeting.

Pastor Moritz opened the meeting with prayer and a reading.

Since this was the New Year's meeting, several decisions were made. First, that the meetings begin punctually at 2:30, whether many members are present or not.

Mrs. Herman Langenbach asked to be no longer a member, and her name was stricken from the list of members.

Further, seven members discussed whether to continue celebrating birthdays. It was decided that three of them would drop out, namely Mrs. H. Langenbach, Miss Lorenz, and Mrs. Ashfall. The other four, Mrs. Lorenz, Mrs. K. Neukom, F. Wichman, and F. Sartor, would raise some collection by celebrating their birthdays. That decision was read and approved.

The election followed. The officers of the previous year were re-elected.

The collection was \$4.20.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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February 5, 1903

Minutes of the February meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on February 5 in the home of Mrs. Lorenz for its monthly meeting and a birthday celebration.

Pastor Moritz opened the meeting with prayer and a reading.

The Society had the pleasure of accepting a new member.

Since no further business was at hand, the meeting closed.

The monthly collection was \$2.90.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

The **March** meeting was called off because of bad weather.

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April 1, 1903

Minutes of the April meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on April 1 in the school room for its monthly meeting.

Pastor Moritz opened the meeting with prayer and a reading about answering prayer.

It was decided that the \$25.00 that the Society was to pay to the deficit in the Pastor's salary fund has been paid, and that we pay \$50 annually in quarterly payments of \$12.50. The first quarter began in January 1903 and ends in April. (It is to be noted that we owe for the present quarter.) Further it was agreed that the church be cleaned for Easter and that members of the Society do this.

The monthly collection came to \$5.70.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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May 7, 1903

Minutes of the May meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, May 7, in the home of Mrs. Christian Backer for its monthly meeting and birthday celebration.

Pastor Moritz opened the meeting with prayer, followed by a reading about answering prayer.

There being no further business at hand, the meeting closed.

The monthly collection came to \$2.50.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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June 11, 1903

Minutes of the June meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on June 11 in the home of Mrs. John Neukom for a birthday celebration and its monthly meeting.

Pastor Moritz opened the meeting with a prayer and reading.

It was decided to send a box of clothes to the Emmaus Home.

The monthly collection was \$3.95.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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July 16, 1903

Minutes of the July meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, July 16, in the home of Mrs. Alke for its monthly meeting and a birthday celebration.

Mrs. Sartor opened the meeting with prayer and the reading of a Psalm.
The monthly collection was \$3.80.

In the previous month the Ladies Aid was deeply grieved over the death of our Pastor and President John Moritz. Although he was allowed to stay with us for only one year and three months, we had gained much goodness from him for his ways that were easy to understand and filled with sympathy.

He was always ready to help and work with us and dedicated himself willingly in all circumstances.

We will miss him quite painfully at our meetings and birthday celebrations, but we know also our loss is his win.

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Even though he is no longer living with us, so shall his spirit, his talks, and his advice stay with us. This would be to him the dearest memorial that his words and teachings bear fruit in our hearts for eternal life, where we hope to see him once again.

*O wie selig schläfest du
Nach manchem schweren Stand
Und liegst nun da in süßter Ruh
In deines Heilands Hand.*

O how blessed you sleep
After many difficult times
And lying now in sweet rest
In your Savior's hand.

*Sein Leiden hat dich frei gemacht
Von aller Angst und Pein
Sein letztes Wort "Es ist vollbracht"
Das singt dich lieblich ein.*

His suffering has made you free
From all anxiety and pain
His last words, "It is finished"
Are sung repeatedly, lovingly, to you.

*Wir hoffen das dein Seelen-freund
Der ewig treue Hirt.
Der's hier so wohl mit dir gemeint
Dich schön empfangen wird.*

We hope that your soul-friend
The eternally faithful shepherd
Who had such good intentions here for you
Will receive you so beautifully.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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August 20, 1903

Minutes of the August meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, August 20, in the home of Mrs. Fritz Lorenz for its monthly meeting and a birthday celebration.

Mrs. Bäcker opened the meeting with prayer and a reading from Holy Scripture.

Since there was no further business, the meeting adjourned.

The monthly collection was \$2.75.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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September 2, 1903

Minutes of the September meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Tuesday, September 2, in the home of Mrs. Ewald Petri for its monthly meeting and a birthday celebration.

Pastor Meier opened the meeting with prayer and a reading from Holy Scripture. Then he gave a speech to the Society to encourage it to do further work.

The monthly collection was \$3.60.

Mathilda Geren, Sec.

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October 14, 1903

Minutes of the October meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, October 14, in the school room for its monthly meeting.

Mrs. Bäcker opened the meeting with prayer and a reading from Holy Scripture.

The \$12.50 for the quarterly Pastor's salary was granted.

Then, the \$12.00 for the child in India was agreed to for Mrs. Petri's birthday.

The monthly collection came to \$2.75.

The meeting was closed with prayer.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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November 5, 1903

Minutes of the November meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, November 5, at the home of Mrs. Wichmann for its monthly meeting and birthday celebration.

Mrs. Bäcker opened the meeting with prayer and a reading of a Psalm.

Then, for Mrs. Willhagen's birthday, it was decided to send a box of clothing to the Orphanage.

The monthly collection was \$3.35.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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December 3, 1903

Minutes of the December meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, December 3, at the home of Ms. Fischer for its monthly meeting and birthday celebration.

Mrs. Bäcker opened the meeting with prayer and a reading of a Psalm.

It was agreed to allow \$5.00 to buy a gift for the organist for Christmas.

The monthly collection was \$2.20.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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Annual Report for **1903**

During the year eight monthly meetings were held with birthday celebrations, three in the school room and one, in March, was cancelled due to bad weather.

The average attendance was eleven compared to nine in the previous year.

All members except one celebrated birthdays during this year.

One member was accepted during the course of the year.

The total of monthly collections was \$37.90.

In April it was decided to pay \$12.50 quarterly for the Pastor's salary. This decision has been carried out regularly during the year.

In June a box of clothing was sent to the Epileptic Home at St. Charles.

In July our President Pastor Moritz died and from that time on Mrs. Bäcker opened our meetings.

In October \$12.00 was sent to India, and in November it was decided to send a box of clothing to the Orphanage.

For Christmas the Ladies Aid thanked our organist with a gift and remembered one of our sick members with a gift.

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January 7, 1904

Minutes of the January meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, January 7, at the home of Mrs. Berghauer for its monthly meeting and birthday celebration.

Mrs. Bäcker opened the meeting with a reading.

The secretary read the annual report.

Mrs. Lorenz gave a report over the income and expenses of the previous year.

The election of officers was postponed until later.

The monthly collection was \$2.60.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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February 5, 1904

Minutes of the February meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Friday, February 5, in the home of Mrs. Edward Lorenz for its monthly meeting and birthday celebration.

Mrs. Bäcker opened the meeting with prayer and reading.

Since no further business was at hand, the meeting was adjourned.

The monthly collection was \$4.25

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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March 24, 1904

Minutes of the March meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, March 24, in the home of Mrs. John Neukomm for its monthly meeting and birthday celebration.

Mrs. Bäcker opened the meeting with prayer and a reading.

The monthly collection was \$3.30.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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April 14, 1904

Minutes of the April meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, April 14, at the home of Mrs. Conrad Neukomm for a birthday celebration and monthly meeting.

Mrs. Bäcker opened the meeting with prayer and a reading.

The monthly collection was \$2.85.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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May 4, 1904

Minutes of the May meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday, May 4, at the home of Mrs. Christian Bäcker for its monthly meeting and birthday celebration.

Pastor Sulzer opened the meeting with prayer and a reading from Holy Scripture.

The monthly collection was \$2.80.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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June x, 1904

Minutes of the June meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday in the middle of June at the home of Mrs. Ewald Petri for a birthday celebration and its monthly meeting.

Mrs. Bäcker opened the meeting with prayer and a reading from Holy Scripture.

It was decided that the Society would clean the church.

The monthly collection was \$2.85.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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July 7, 1904

Minutes of the July meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, July 7, in the home of Mrs. Phillip Backer for its monthly meeting and birthday celebration.

Mrs. Backer opened the meeting with prayer and a reading from Holy Scripture.

The monthly collection was \$3.35.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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August 7, 1904

Minutes of the August meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Sunday, August 7, in the church for its monthly meeting. Pastor Müller opened the meeting with prayer and a reading about time planning. The monthly collection was \$3.10. The meeting closed with prayer and the blessing.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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September 15, 1904

Minutes of the September meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, September 15, in the home of Mrs. Fritz Lorenz for its monthly meeting and a birthday celebration. Pastor Mueller opened the meeting with prayer and a reading about the call of salvation. It was decided to hold a supper in three weeks for the betterment of the Society. The monthly collection was \$3.50.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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October 13, 1904

Minutes of the October meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, October 13, in the home of Mrs. Wichman for its monthly meeting and a birthday celebration. Pastor Müller opened the meeting with prayer and a reading about "money." The income from the supper that the Ladies Aid gave was \$67.55 for the benefit of the Society. To this, \$7.45 was added so that \$75.00 in total was used for payment of the parsonage debt. The monthly collection was \$3.65.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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November 3, 1904

Minutes of the November meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, November 3, in the home of Mrs. Alke for its monthly meeting and a birthday celebration. Mrs. Backer opened the meeting with prayer and a reading from Holy Scripture. The monthly collection was \$3.05.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

At an extra meeting it was decided that \$4.50 from the treasury be given to a poor family.

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December 8, 1904

Minutes of the December meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, December 8, in the home of Mrs. Willhagen for a birthday celebration and its monthly meeting.

Pastor Müller opened the meeting with prayer and a reading.

The monthly collection was \$3.35.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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Annual Report for 1904

During the past year all members of the Society celebrated birthdays. The monthly meetings were held in conjunction with these birthdays.

The monthly collections amounted to \$38.85 compared to \$37.90 in the previous year.

The average attendance was eight.

From January to July Mrs. Backer opened the meetings. In August Pastor Müller took over leadership.

In September it was decided to hold a supper. The income from it was \$67.55. To it, \$7.45 was added from the treasury so that \$75.00 in total was given for payment on the parsonage debt.

In November \$4.50 was given to a poor family. Also \$12.00 was sent to India for the support of a child.

In December a box of clothing was sent to the Orphanage in St. Louis.

The Ladies Aid had the pleasure of giving a gift to Pastor Müller and to Miss Sophie Lorenz [organist] for Christmas.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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January 3, 1905

Minutes of the January meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on January 3 in the home of Mrs. Berghauser for its monthly meeting and birthday celebration.

Pastor Müller opened the meeting with prayer, followed by a reading.

The Society had the pleasure of accepting two new members.

The following were elected officers for the coming year:

President, Pastor Müller

Vice President, Mrs. Berghauser

Treasurer, Mrs. Wichman

Secretary, Mathilda Geren

The monthly collection was \$3.40.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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February 9, 1905

Minutes of the February meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, February 9, in the home of Mrs. Lorenz for its monthly meeting and birthday celebration.

Pastor Müller opened the meeting with prayer followed by a reading.

A new member was accepted at this meeting.

The monthly collection was \$4.30.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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March 9, 1905

Minutes of the March meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, March 9, in the home of Mrs. John Neukomm for its monthly meeting and birthday celebration.

Pastor Müller opened the meeting with prayer and reading about "little things."

The monthly collection was \$4.60.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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April 13, 1905

Minutes of the April meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, April 13, in the home of Mrs. Konrad Neukomm for its monthly meeting and birthday celebration.

Pastor Müller opened the meeting with prayer and a reading about the "German language."

It was decided to clean the church for Easter.

At an extra meeting it was made known that the Missionary Union will hold its meeting in our church next year.

The monthly collection was \$4.35.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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May x, 1905

Minutes of the May meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Kreutz for its monthly meeting and birthday celebration.

Pastor Müller opened the meeting with prayer, followed by a reading over the "conversation."

The monthly collection was \$3.70.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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June 8, 1905

Minutes of the June meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, June 8, in the home of Mrs. Phillip Bäcker for its monthly meeting and birthday celebration.

Pastor Müller opened the meeting with prayer and a reading about “separation.” Since Pastor Müller’s departure from us is near, this is the last meeting that he will have with us. It is sad that he has to leave us so soon, but the Society wishes him better health and God’s blessings in his broader life’s journey.
The monthly collection was \$4.35

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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July 19, 1905

Minutes of the July meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, July 19, in the home of Mrs. Fritz Lorenz for its monthly meeting and birthday celebration.

Pastor Bratzel opened the meeting with prayer and a reading.

At an extra meeting it was decided to hold a festival in the church yard the evening of August 10.

The income from it was \$26.80. The Society added \$8.20 from its treasury so that a total of \$35.00 was paid on the parsonage debt.

The monthly collection was \$3.35.

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August 23, 1905

Minutes of the August meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday, August 23, in the church for its monthly meeting.

Pastor Bratzel opened the meeting with a reading from Holy Scripture. Then a prayer followed.

It was decided to hold the monthly meetings on the first Thursday of each month, when not in conjunction with a birthday.

The monthly collection was \$2.25.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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September 7, 1905

Minutes of the September meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday afternoon, September 7, in the church for its monthly meeting.

Pastor Fischer opened the meeting with prayer. Then followed a reading of a story.

A prolonged discussion over having a “fancy table” in conjunction with the next festival was postponed until the next birthday.

The monthly collection was \$3.70.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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October 5, 1905

Minutes of the October meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, October 5, in the church for its monthly meeting. Pastor Fischer opened the meeting with prayer and a reading. It was decided in the September meeting to hold a festival on October 26. The income from it was \$64.00, of which \$42 was used for paying interest. The remainder went for the lumber bill. The monthly collection was \$3.70.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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November 2, 1905

Minutes of the November meeting.
The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, November 2, in the home of Mrs. Wichmann for a birthday celebration and its monthly meeting.
Pastor Fischer opened the meeting with prayer and the reading of a poem.
It was decided to send a box of clothing to the Orphanage.
The monthly collection was \$3.35.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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December 7, 1905

Minutes of the December meeting.
The Ladies Aid met on December 7 in the home of Mrs. Frank for its monthly meeting and birthday celebration.
Pastor Fischer opened the meeting with prayer and a reading from Holy Scripture.
The collection was \$3.60.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

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Annual Report for 1905

During the year nine monthly meetings were held with birthdays. The remaining three were held in the church.
All members celebrated their birthdays, and collections were made for all but two.
The average attendance was 8.
The monthly collections came to \$44.65, compared to \$33.85 for last year.
Pastor Müller led the meetings for the first 6 months. In June he left the congregation, and Pastor Bratzel led the congregation.
In July a festival was held in the church yard. The income from it was \$26.80.
In September Pastor Fischer began his office in the congregation and also in the Society.
In October another festival was held and the income from it was \$64.00.
In December a box of clothing was sent to the Orphanage and also \$12.00 sent to India for the support of a child.
Also a gift was given at Christmas to Ladies Aid President F. Lorenz and Pastor Fischer.
Despite the many changes we have had, it was a good year in many ways, and we hope that the new one will bring its blessings.

Matilda Geren, Sec.

NOTE: This is the end of the monthly minutes and annual reports of the Ladies Aid meetings in Book 2. The remaining pages contain annual lists of members and their attendance at meetings, 1899-1905.

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List of Members of the Society, 1905

	J	F	M	A	M	J	Jl	A	S	O	N	D	J
Mrs. Fischer	x		x	x	x	x	x				x	x	
Langenbach			x		x								
John Neukom			x	x						x		x	
Conrad Neukom				x		x						x	x
Daniel Petri	x		x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x
Sartor			x							x		x	x
William Backer	x		x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x		x
E. Lorenz	x	x	x	x		x	x	x		x			x
Berghauer	x		x		x	x	x	x	x	x			x
Fritz Lorenz	x	x	x			x	x		x	x	x	x	x
Wilhagen	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x
Phillip Backer	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x		x
Tillie Geren		x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Wichman	x	x	x					x	x	x	x	x	x
Christian Backer			x	x		x	x		x	x	x		x
Frank			x	x	x	x	x				x	x	
Ewald Petri	x	x	x		x	x	x	x					x
Alke	x	x		x	x	x	x	x		x	x		x
Ashfall	x												
Rabsahl	x	x	x				x				x	x	x
Kreutz		x		x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		
Mueller		x		x	x	x			x				
Wenger			x	x	x	x	x			x	x		
24 Gross				x	x	x				x		x	x

List of Members of the Society, 1899

	F	M	A	M	J	Jl	A	S	O	N	D
Mrs. John Backer											
	died February 6, 1899										
Gross		x	x	x	x	x	x				x
Geren					x		x		x	x	
Fischer		x		x		x			x		x
Langenbach		x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x
John Neukomm		x	x	x		x	x		x	x	
Conrad Neukomm		x	x	x	x		x		x	x	
Daniel Petri	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Sartor				x	x	x	x		x	x	x
William Backer	x	x		x	x	x				x	x
Ed. Lorenz	x		x	x	x	x			x	x	x
Berghauser			x	x	x	x	x		x		x
Fritz Lorenz	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
Schmidt	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Phillip Backer											
Tillie Geren	x			x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Wichman				x	x	x					x
Rosa Lorenz							x		x		
Christian Backer	x	x	x	x	x	x	x				x
Frank		x		x				x	x		x
Ewald Petri	x		x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x
Alke		x						x			
Mrs. Ashfall									x		x

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List of Members of the Society, 1900

	J	F	M	A	M	J	Jl	A	S	O	N	D
Mrs. Gross		x								x		
Geren	x	x			x	x	x	x		x		x
Fischer	x	x		x		x	x	x		x	x	x
Langenbach	x			x	x	x		x				x
John Neukomm		x		x		x		x			x	
Conrad Neukomm		x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x			
Daniel Petri	x	x		x		x	x	x		x	x	x
Sartor	x	x		x		x	x	x	x	x		
Wm. Backer	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Ed. Lorenz	x	x	x	x			x		x	x	x	
Berghauser	x		x	x	x		x	x	x	x		
Fritz Lorenz	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x
Willhagen	x	x	x	x		x	x	x		x	x	x
Phillip Backer		x				x	x	x		x	x	x
Tillie Geren	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Wichman	x	x	x									x
Rosa Lorenz	x	x	x									
Christian Backer	x	x	x	x	x	x				x		x
Frank	x	x		x		x				x	x	x
Ewald Petri	x	x	x		x	x		x		x	x	
Alke												
Ashfall												
Herman Langenbach												

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List of Members of the Society, 1901

	J	F	M	A	M	J	Jl	A	S	O	N	D
Mrs. Gross			x									
Geren								x		x	x	x
Fischer	x	x	x		x	x			x	x		
Langenbach		x		x		x	x					
John Neukomm	x				x					x	x	x
Conrad Neukom			x		x	x		x	x	x	x	x
Daniel Petri		x	x		x		x	x	x		x	
Sartor	x		x					x	x	x	x	x
Wm. Backer			x	x	x			x	x	x	x	x
Ed. Lorenz					x	x		x		x	x	x
Berghauser				x	x	x		x	x	x		x
Fritz Lorenz	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Wilhagen	x	x	x		x	x	x	x		x	x	x
Phillip Backer	x	x	x		x		x	x	x	x		x
Tillie Geren	x		x	x	x			x		x	x	x
Wichman	x											
Rosa Lorenz	x							x		x		
Christian Backer	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x
Frank		x	x		x	x		x	x		x	
Ewald Petri	x	x	x		x		x	x	x	x		x
Alke					x	x	x	x	x			
Ashfall					x					x		
Herman Langenbach												

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List of Members of the Society, 1902

	J	F	M	A	M	J	Jl	A	S	O	N	D
Mrs. Gross												
Geren	x			x	x	x				x		
Fischer	x	x	x		x		x		x	x	x	x
Langenbach			x									
John Neukomm	x		x	x	x		x			x	x	
Conrad Neukomm			x						x			x
Daniel Petri	x	x	x	x		x	x		x	x	x	x
Sartor				x		x	x		x		x	
Wm Backer	x	x	x			x	x	x		x	x	
Ed. Lorenz	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x		x	
Berghauser	x	x			x		x	x	x	x	x	x
Fritz Lorenz	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Wilhagen	x	x		x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x
Phillip Backer	x	x		x		x	x	x		x	x	
Tillie Geren	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Wichmann												
Rosa Lorenz												
Christian Backer	x	x	x	x		x	x			x		x
Frank	x	x		x			x				x	x
Ewald Petri		x	x	x		x	x	x		x	x	x
Alke	x			x	x		x	x				
Ashfall												
Herman Langenbach												

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List of Members of the Society, 1903

	J	F	M	A	M	J	Jl	A	S	O	N	D
Mrs. Fischer						x		x	x	x	x	x
Langenbach						x						
John Neukom						x	x	x	x	x	x	
Conrad Neukom		x		x	x	x	x	x	x		x	
Daniel Petri		x		x		x	x	x	x		x	x
Sartor				x			x	x		x		
Wm. Backer	x	x			x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Ed. Lorenz		x		x			x	x	x		x	
Berghauser		x		x	x	x		x	x		x	
Fritz Lorenz	x	x		x	x		x	x	x	x	x	
Phillip Backer	x			x		x	x		x			
Tillie Geren	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Wichmann	x				x		x		x		x	x
Christian Backer	x	x		x	x	x	x			x	x	
Frank	x			x		x		x	x	x	x	x
Ewald Petri	x	x			x	x	x	x	x		x	x
Alke	x	x			x	x	x	x	x		x	
Ashfall									x			
Geren												
Wilhagen	x	x			x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Rabsahl		x		x	x	x					x	x

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List of Members of the Society, 1904

	J	F	M	A	M	J	Jl	A	S	O	N	D
Mrs. Fischer			x				x			x	x	x
Langenbach			x									
John Neukom			x				x	x	x	x		x
Conrad Neukom		x	x	x							x	
Daniel Petri	x		x			x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Sartor	x						x	x	x	x	x	x
Wm. Backer	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Ed. Lorenz		x				x	x		x	x	x	
Berghauser	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x	
Fritz Lorenz	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x		
Phillip Backer		x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Tillie Geren	x	x	x			x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Wichman		x	x			x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Christian Backer	x		x			x		x	x	x	x	x
Frank										x	x	x
Ewald Petri	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x		x
Alke		x	x	x					x		x	x
Ashfall												
Willhagen		x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Rabsahl	x	x	x	x		x			x	x		x

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Ladies Aid Society of the
Evangelical Church**

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List of the Members of the Society, 1913

[Note: In this list, an o represents absence.]

	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
1 Pastor Baur												
2 Mrs. August Alke		o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o			
3 Mrs. William Berghauser	o	o	o	o	o	o		o	o	o		o
4 Mrs. Christian Backer												
5 Mrs. Philipp Backer			o	o	o		o	o	o			
6 Mrs. William Backer	o	o	o		o		o	o	o			
7 Mrs. Deitwiler	o		o	o		o	o	o			o	o
8 Mrs. William Frank				o			o					
9 Mrs. John Langenbach	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
10 Mrs. Fritz Lorenz						o						
11 Mrs. Louis Lorenz												
12 Mrs. George Kreutz	o		o	o				o	o			
13 Mrs. John Neukomm	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
14 Mrs. Daniel Petri	o		o	o	o	o	o	o	o			
15 Mrs. Paul Pirmann	o		o	o			o					
16 Mrs. Henry Sartor	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o		o
17 Mrs. Henry Smith	o	o	o	o	o		o	o	o	o	o	o
18 Mrs. Henry Wichmann				o	o	o	o	o	o			
19 Mrs. William Willhagen												
20 Mrs. Louis Petri											x	o
21 Mrs. Fred Renner											x	
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January 23, 1913

Minutes of the January meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday afternoon, January 23, at the home of Mrs. Pirmann for its monthly meeting and birthday celebration. Ten members were present.

The meeting was opened by Pastor Baur with prayer and a reading from Holy Scripture, namely from Chapter 12 of the letter to the Romans. In these verses the apostle Paul wrote to the Romans the Christian rules for living, which we should also take to heart.

Mrs. Fritz Lorenz and Mrs. Louis Lorenz read the annual report.

The officers from last year were re-elected, namely Mrs. Willhagen, President; Mrs. Christian Backer, Vice-President; Mrs. Fritz Lorenz, Treasurer; Mrs. Louis Lorenz, Secretary.

Twenty-five cents was paid out for a book for the Secretary.

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February 20, 1913

Minutes of the February meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on February 20 at the home of Mrs. Louis Lorenz for its monthly meeting and birthday celebration. Twelve members were present.

Pastor Baur opened the meeting with a reading from Holy Scripture, and gave a beautiful explanation if it, followed with a prayer.

Then the collection was taken.

Since no more business was presented, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. Louis Lorenz

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March x, 1913

Minutes of the March meeting.

The Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. Christian Backer for its monthly meeting and birthday celebration. Seven members were present.

Pastor Baur opened the meeting with a reading from the Passion story, namely the verses that told how Barrabas, one of the rabble, was chosen to be freed and that Christ would be crucified.

It was decided that we would clean the church before Easter.

No other business was brought forth.

Mrs. Louis Lorenz

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April 13, 1913

Minutes of the April meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Sunday afternoon, April 13, in the church for its monthly meeting.

Only six members were present.

Pastor Baur read some verses from the thirteenth chapter of Luke. He gave a beautiful explanation of it.

Since no further business was presented, the meeting adjourned with praying the Lord's Prayer.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz

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May 11, 1913

Minutes of the May meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on May 11 in the church for its monthly meeting.

Nine members were present.

Pastor Baur read the Gospel for Pentecost Monday and followed it with prayer.

It was decided to have the church painted on the inside.

Since no more business was at hand, the meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz

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June 4, 1913

Minutes of the June meeting.

The Ladies Aid held a very interesting meeting on Sunday, June 4.

Nine members were present. It was a pleasure to see Mrs. Henry Smith once again in our midst.

Pastor Baur read verses 16 to 21 of the third of John's letters. He gave a beautiful explanation of it and then followed it with prayer.

After the prayer came the reading of the minutes.

It was decided to hold a dinner [*Essenfest*, literally an "eating festival"] on June 19.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz

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July 13, 1913

Minutes of the July meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Sunday afternoon, July 13, in the church for its monthly meeting.

Seven members were present.

Pastor Baur read several verses from James' letter, and he followed it with prayer.

Since no business was brought forth, the meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz

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August 3, 1913

Minutes of the August meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on August 3 in the church for its monthly meeting.

Seven members were present.

Pastor Baur read some verses from Holy Scripture and followed it with prayer.

It was decided to rent a wagon for the Sunday School picnic.

Since no business was at hand, the meeting adjourned with prayer.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz

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September 7, 1913

Minutes of the September meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on September 7 in the church for its monthly meeting.

Eight members were present.

Pastor Baur read the Gospel for the day, followed with prayer.

Since no business was presented, the meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer..

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz

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October 9, 1913

Minutes of the October meeting.

The Ladies Aid held a very interesting meeting on October 9. We met at 1:30 and went to the home of Mrs. Daniel Petri.

Fourteen members were present.

Pastor Baur opened the meeting with a reading, namely some verses from chapter 15 of the Gospel of John. It was followed by prayer.

We had the pleasure of accepting two new members, Mrs. Louis Petri and Mrs. Fred Renner.

It was decided to make four quilts [*Bettdecken*, literally "bed covers", which could be blankets, comforters, or quilts. German has no separate word for "quilt".] for the Orphanage.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz

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November 15, 1913

Minutes of the November meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on November 15 in the home of Mrs. Wilhelm Bäcker for a business meeting and birthday celebration.

Seventeen members were present.

Pastor Baur read the first four verses of apostle Paul's letter to the Romans.

Then the collection was taken up.

Other business was not presented.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz

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December 11, 1912

Minutes of the December meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on December 11 in the home of Mrs. Frank.

Pastor Baur read verses 38 to 42 of the tenth chapter of the Gospel of Luke.

It was decided to give \$9.60 to Mr. Bäcker for expenses.

Also that we give three dollars to Miss Bäcker [organist] as a Christmas gift.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz

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Annual Report 1913

By the grace of God the Ladies Aid was granted the completion of a happy year. The Society counted twenty-one members in the past year. Two new members, Mrs. Fred Renner and Mrs. Louis Petri were accepted. Six business meetings were held in the church and six in conjunction with birthday celebrations. The average attendance was ten. Four members, namely Pastor Baur, Mrs. Christian Backer, Mrs. Willhagen, and Mrs. Louis Lorenz did not miss any meetings. In June the Society held a dinner in the church yard, which was very well attended. The church was improved on the interior, for which the Society contributed its mite.

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In December a box of four quilts was given to the Orphanage. Also, it was our pleasure to give a gift at Christmas to Pastor Baur and to Miss Bäcker.

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List of Members of the Society, 1914

	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
1 Rev. Theo Bauer	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
2 Mrs. August Alke	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1
3 Mrs. William Berghauser	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1
4 Mrs. Christian Backer	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
5 Mrs. Philip Backer	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1
6 Mrs. William Backer	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
7 Mrs. Detweiler	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8 Mrs. William Frank	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1
9 Mrs. John Langenbach	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10 Mrs. Fritz Lorenz	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
11 Mrs. Louis Lorenz	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
12 Mrs. George Kreutz	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1
13 Mrs. John Neukomm	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
14 Mrs. Daniel Petri	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
15 Mrs. Louis Petri	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
16 Mrs. Paul Pirman	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
17 Mrs. Fred Renner	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
18 Mrs. Henry Sartor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
19 Mrs. Henry Smith	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20 Mrs. Henry Wichman	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
21 Mrs. William Willhagen	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
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January x, 1914

Minutes of the January meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday afternoon in the house of Mrs. Pirmann for its monthly meeting and birthday celebration.

Fourteen members were present.

Pastor Baur read some verses from the eighth chapter of Acts of the Apostles, followed with prayer.

The Secretary called the roll and read the minutes for the December meeting and the annual report.

The collection was then taken for the monthly meeting and for two birthdays, namely Mrs. Pirman and Mrs. Christian Backer.

Then the treasurer's report followed.

On the motion of Pastor Baur it was decided that the President should conduct the business meeting. [The Pastor had been conducting it.]

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Then the officers were elected for 1914: Mrs. Pirman, President. Mrs. William Frank, Vice President. Mrs. Fritz Lorenz, Treasurer. Mrs. Louis Lorenz, Secretary.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz

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February 1, 1914

Minutes of the February meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on February 1 in the church for its business meeting.

Nine members were present.

Pastor Baur read a passage from the letter of Sirach [from the Apocrypha between the Old and New Testaments, which was included in German Bibles], followed by prayer.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz followed with the reading of the minutes and the roll call.

The collection was then taken, which came to \$2.05.

It was decided that we will visit the sick more regularly.

Also, it was decided that for birthday celebrations we have only two cakes [*kuchen*], bread, and coffee.

Since there was no more business, the meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, Secretary

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March 1, 1914

Minutes of the March meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Sunday afternoon, March 1, in the church for a business meeting.

Pastor Baur read some verses from Holy Scripture, followed by prayer.

Mrs. Pirmann opened the business meeting.

The minutes were read and approved.
Then followed the treasurer's report.
It was decided that we would not clean the church before Easter.
Since there was no more business, the meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.
Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, Secretary

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April 23, 1914

Minutes of the April meeting.
The Ladies Aid met on April 23 in the home of Mrs. Louis Lorenz for its business meeting and birthday celebration.
Twelve members were present.
Pastor Baur read a passage from Holy Scripture, followed by prayer.
The President opened the meeting.
The minutes were read and approved, as well as the report of the Treasurer.
It was decided that we will not join the "Civic League."
Since there was no more business, the meeting adjourned.
Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, Secretary

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May 14, 1914

Minutes of the May meeting.
The Ladies Aid met on Thursday afternoon, May 14, in the home of Mrs. Daniel Petri for its monthly meeting and birthday celebration.
Fourteen members attended.
Pastor Baur read a passage from Holy Scripture, followed by prayer.
Mrs. Paul Pirmann opened the business meeting.
The minutes were read and approved, as well as the Treasurer's report.
It was decided that we clean the church the following week.
Mrs. Henry Smith invited the Ladies Aid, which was discussed, but it was not decided whether we would go or not.
No further business was presented.
Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, Secretary

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June 3, 1914

Minutes of the June meeting.
The Ladies Aid met on June 3 in the home of Mrs. Philip Backer for a birthday celebration and business meeting.
Pastor Baur read a passage from Holy Scripture, followed by prayer.
Mrs. Pirmann opened the business meeting.
The minutes were read and approved.
The Treasurer read her report next.

The collection was then taken.

Then it was again discussed whether we would go to Mrs. Schmidt's. It was not decided. Later, at a meeting in the church, it was decided that we would not go.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, Secretary

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July 27, 1914

Minutes of the July meeting.

The Ladies Aid met at 7:30 on Wednesday evening, July 27, in the church for a business meeting.

Six members were present.

Mrs. Pirmann read the 101st Psalm, followed by prayer.

She opened the business meeting.

The minutes were read and approved.

Then the Treasurer's report followed.

Then the collection was taken.

Lacking further business, the meeting adjourned, after which we prayed together the Lord's Prayer.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, Secretary

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August 16, 1914

Minutes of the August meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Sunday afternoon, August 16, in the church for a business meeting.

Eight members were present.

Pastor Rodenbeck read the Gospel for the Sunday, followed by prayer.

Mrs. Pirmann opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Treasurer and Secretary were read and approved.

After the collection was taken, the meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, Secretary

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September 6, 1914

Minutes of the September meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on September 6 in the church for a business meeting.

Pastor Rodenbeck read some verses from Chapter 17 of the Gospel of Luke, followed by prayer.

Mrs. Primann opened the meeting.

The reports of the Treasurer and Secretary were read and approved.

The collection was taken.

Since no further business was presented, the meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, Secretary

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October 1, 1914

Minutes of the October meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on October 1 in the home of Mrs. Willhagen for a business meeting and birthday celebration.

Pastor ~~Baur~~ read Psalm 34, followed by prayer.

Mrs. Pirmann opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Treasurer and Secretary were read and approved.

Then the collection was taken.

It was decided that Pastor Rodenbeck should inquire of the housekeeper at the Preacher's Seminary what are the things of most necessity that are used there, so that the Society can give them those things as a Christmas present.

Since no further business was presented, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, Secretary

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November 13, 1914

Minutes of the November meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday afternoon, November 13, in the home of Mrs. Fritz Lorenz for its monthly meeting and birthday celebration.

Thirteen members were present.

After Pastor Rodenbeck read a passage from Holy Scripture, Mrs. Pirmann opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Treasurer and Secretary were read and approved. Then the collection was taken.

It was decided that we would take a collection at our next meeting, which we would send to the Preacher's Seminary as a Christmas gift.

Since no further business was presented, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, Secretary

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December x, 1914

Minutes of the December meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday afternoon, December x, in the home of Mrs. Wilhelm Frank for its monthly meeting and birthday celebration.

Ten members were present.

After Pastor Rodenbeck read a passage from Holy Scripture and had offered the prayer, Mrs. Pirmann opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

It was decided that the Society give ten dollars to Pastor Rodenbeck as a Christmas gift.

Mrs. Frank and Mrs. Lorenz were appointed to buy the gifts for Miss Katie and Miss Emily Backer.

Since no more business was presented, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, Secretary

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Annual Report for 1914

A look back at the closing year shows that the Lord let us complete a happy year through his great mercy and compassion.

The Ladies Aid had twenty members during the year.

The Society met five times in the church and seven times in conjunction with birthdays.

Average attendance was ten.

Four members, namely Mrs. Willhagen, Mrs. Pirmann, and Mrs. Fritz Lorenz and Mrs. Louis Lorenz attended all meetings.

The following decisions were made during the year:

That we visit the sick more regularly.

That we have only two cakes, bread and coffee at birthday celebrations.

In December we sent \$6.50 to the Preacher's Seminary in St. Louis as Christmas gift.

Also we gave gifts to Pastor Rodenbeck, Miss Katie and Miss Emily Backer in recognition of their faithful work.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, Secretary

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List of Members and Attendance 1915

	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
1 Rev. Fred Rodenbeck	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
2 Mrs. August Alke	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
3 Mrs. William Berghauser	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4 Mrs. William Backer	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0
5 Mrs. Philip Backer	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0
6 Mrs. John Langenbach	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7 Mrs. William Frank	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1
8 Mrs. Fritz Lorenz	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
9 Mrs. Louis Lorenz	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
10 Mrs. George Kreutz	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
11 Mrs. John Neukomm	0	0	0	0	0	0						
12 Mrs. Daniel Petri	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
13 Mrs. Louis Petri	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
14 Mrs. Paul Pirman	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
15 Mrs. Fred Renner	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
16 Mrs. Henry Sartor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
17 Mrs. Henry Smith	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
18 Mrs. Henry Wichman	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
19 Mrs. William Willhagen	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1

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January 17, 1915

Minutes of the January 1915 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Sunday afternoon, January 17, in the church for its monthly meeting. Only six members were present.

After Pastor Rodenbeck read a passage from Chapter 15 of the letter to the Romans and had offered a prayer, Mrs. Pirmann opened the business meeting.

The Secretaary read her minutes and also the annual report, which were approved.

Then the Treasurer read her report and her annual report, which were also approved.

Because so few were present, the election of officers was not held.

Since no more business was presented, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, Secretary

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February 15, 1915

Minutes of the February 1915 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday afternoon, February 15, in the home of Mrs. Louis Lorenz for its business meeting and a birthday celebration.

Eleven members were present.

After Pastor Rodenbeck read a passage from Holy Scripture and said a prayer, Mrs. Pirmann opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Treasurer and Secretary were approved.

Then the collection was taken.

The election of officers followed: Mrs. Pirmann, President; Mrs. Frank, Vice President; Mrs. Fritz Lorenz, Treasurer; Mrs. Louis Lorenz, Secretary.

Since no more business was presented, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, Secretary

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March 14, 1915

Minutes of the March 1915 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Sunday afternoon, March 14, in the church.

Six members were present.

After Pastor Rodenbeck read a passage from Holy Scripture and said a prayer, Mrs. Pirmann opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

After the collection was taken, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, Secretary

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April 11, 1915

Minutes of the April 1915 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Sunday afternoon, April 11, in the church.

Nine members were present.

Pastor Rodenbeck read some verses from the Gospel of John, followed with prayer.

Mrs. Pirmann opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

Then the collection was taken.

Since no more business was presented, the meeting adjourned with prayer.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, Secretary

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May 9, 1915

Minutes of the May 1915 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Sunday afternoon, May 9, in the church for its monthly meeting.

Nine members were present.

After Pastor Rodenbeck read a passage from Holy Scripture and spoke a prayer, Mrs. Pirmann opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

Then the collection was taken.

It was decided to clean the church, but no day was agreed on to do it.

Since no more business was presented, the meeting adjourned with prayer.

Mrs. W. Willhagen, Secretary

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June 6, 1915

Minutes of the June 1915 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Sunday, June 6, in the church for its monthly meeting.

Five members were present.

Pastor Rodenbeck read one verse from Peter I, chapter 2, and followed it with prayer.

Mrs. Pirmann opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

Then the collection was taken.

Since no more business was presented, the meeting adjourned with prayer.

Mrs. W. Willhagen, Secretary

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Once again the Ladies Aid was saddened by the death of one of its oldest members, Mrs. John Neukomm. She was a member since the founding of the Ladies Aid and proved herself a faithful member by her support and participation in it. Although she was prevented from attending during these last years by physical suffering, she still always kept an active interest in it.

God led her, like all good mothers, through joy and sorrow, but she came through by her determination, with humility and patience, and now she is at the end of her journey. Her goal is achieved: rest and peace in the home above.

*Wir hoffen das dein Seelenfreund
Der ewig treue hirt.
Der's hier so wohl mit dir gemeint,
Dich schön empfangen wird.*

We hope that your soul-friend
Who will faithfully care for you in eternity
Who has treated you so well here
Will receive you beautifully.

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July 11, 1915

Minutes of the July 1915 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met Sunday afternoon, July 11, in the church for its monthly meeting.

Four members were present.

Pastor Rodenbeck read a passage from Holy Scripture, and followed it with prayer.

Since Mrs. Pirmann was not present, the Pastor opened the meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

Then the collection was taken.

Then the Pastor read a little story, which was very interesting, about the Pentecost rose.

Since no more business was presented, the meeting adjourned with prayer.

Mrs. W. Willhagen, Secretary

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August 9, 1915

Minutes of the August 1915 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met Sunday afternoon, August 9, in the church for its monthly meeting.

Six members were present.

Pastor Rodenbeck read a passage from the Gospel of Luke and followed it with prayer.

Mrs. Pirmann opened the meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

Then the collection was taken.

Then Pastor Rodenbeck read the end of the story that we heard last month.

Since no more business was presented, the meeting adjourned with prayer.

Mrs. W. Willhagen, Secretary

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September x, 1915

Minutes of the September 1915 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met Sunday afternoon, September x, in the church for its monthly meeting.

Eight members were present.

Pastor Rodenbeck read some verses from Paul's letter to the Colossians and followed it with prayer.

Mrs. Pirmann opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

Then the collection was taken.

Pastor Rodenbeck started the reading of a very interesting story.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, Secretary

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October 7, 1915

Minutes of the October 1915 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met Thursday evening, October 7, in the home of Mrs. Daniel Petri.

Twelve members were present.

Mrs. Pirmann opened the meeting with a reading of Psalm 27, followed with prayer.

The reports of the Treasurer and Secretary were read and approved.

The collection was taken.

Since no further business was presented, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, Secretary

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November 12, 1915

Minutes of the November 1915 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met Friday afternoon, November 12, in the home of Mrs. Pirmann for its business meeting.

Pastor Rodenbeck opened the meeting with a reading from Holy Scripture, followed with prayer.

Mrs. Pirmann opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

The collection was taken.

It was decided that we will hold a supper on November 17.

Then adjournment.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, Secretary

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December 5, 1915

Minutes of the December 1915 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Sunday afternoon, December 5, in the church for its monthly meeting.

Five members were present.

Pastor Rodenbeck read some verses from chapter 40 of Isaiah, followed with prayer.

Pastor Rodenbeck opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

The collection was then taken.

It was decided that we give ten dollars to our esteemed Pastor as a Christmas gift.

Mrs. Pirmann was directed to buy a gift for Miss Emily Backer, our faithful organist.

Since no more business was presented, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz

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Annual Report fo 1915

Once again the Ladies Aid has gone successfully through a happy year. Our meetings have not been so faithfully attended, but we have the promise that where two or three are gathered in His name, He is there. He is in our midst. The Ladies Aid had eighteen members during the past year. The average attendance was seven. Mrs. Fritz Lorenz did not miss any meetings. We met nine times in the church, one time in the home of Mrs. Pirmann, and twice in conjunction with birthday celebrations. One member, namely Mrs. John Neukomm, went home to her Lord. The Society gave a supper in November.

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In December the Society sent a box of fruit preserves to the Orphanage in St. Louis. The Society had the pleasure to give presents to our esteemed Pastor and to the faithful organist for Christmas.

Mrs. Louis Lorenz

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List of Members and Attendance 1916

	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
Rev. Fred Rodenbeck	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. August Alke		1	0	0	0	1	0	0		0	0	0
Mrs. William Berghauser		0	1	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0
Mrs. William Backer		1	0	0	0	1	0	0		0	1	0
Mrs. Philip Backer		1	1	1	1	0	0	0		1	1	1
Mrs. John Langenbach		0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	
Mrs. William Frank		1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0
Mrs. Fritz Lorenz	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. Louis Lorenz	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Mrs. George Kreutz		1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mrs. Daniel Petri		0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mrs. Louis Petri		0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Mrs. Fritz Renner		1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mrs. Paul Pirman	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1
Mrs. Henry Sartor		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mrs. Henry Smith		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mrs. Henry Wichman		0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mrs. William Willhagen	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
	5	10	10	8	8	10	6	4	5	5	8	6

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January x, 1916

Minutes of the January 1916 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Sunday afternoon in the church for a business meeting. Five members were present. Pastor Rodenbeck read a passage from Holy Scripture, followed with prayer. Mrs. Pirmann opened the business meeting. After the Secretary's report, the collection was taken. The Pastor read the story that he had already begun. Adjournment followed.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, Secretary

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February 24, 1916

Minutes of the February 1916 meeting. The Ladies Aid met on Thursday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Pirman for a business meeting and birthday celebration. Ten members were present. Pastor Rodenbeck read Psalm 36, followed with prayer. Mrs. Pirmann opened the business meeting. The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved. Then the collection was taken. Then the annual election of officers took place with the following result: Mrs. Pirman, President; Mrs. Frank, Vice President; Mrs. Fritz Lorenz, Treasurer; Mrs. Louis Lorenz, Secretary. Since no further business was presented, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, Secretary

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March 24, 1916

Minutes of the March 1916 meeting. The Ladies Aid met on Thursday afternoon, March 24, in the home of Mrs. L.H. Lorenz for a business meeting and birthday celebration. Pastor Rodenbeck read some verses from Chapter 26 of the Gospel of Matthew, followed by prayer. Mrs. Pirmann opened the business meeting. Mrs. Fritz and Mrs. Louis Lorenz read their reports. The collection followed. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, Secretary

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April 9, 1916

Minutes of the April 1916 meeting. The Ladies Aid met on Sunday afternoon, April 9, in the church for its monthly meeting. Eight members were present. Pastor Rodenbeck read Psalm 13, followed by prayer.

Mrs. Pirman opened the business meeting.
The Secretary and Treasurer read their reports, which were approved.
Then followed the collection of dues.
There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, Secretary

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May 14, 1916

Minutes of the May 1916 meeting.
The Ladies Aid met on Sunday afternoon, May 14, in the church for its monthly meeting.
Pastor Rodenbeck read some verses from the Gospel of John, chapter 16, followed by prayer.
Mrs. Pirmann opened the business meeting.
The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.
Then the collection followed.
Pastor Rodenbeck read more from the story that he had begun some months earlier.
There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, Secretary

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June 15, 1916

Minutes of the June 1916 meeting.
The Ladies Aid met on Thursday afternoon, June 15, in the home of Mrs. Fritz Renner for its monthly meeting and birthday celebration.
Mrs. Wilhelm Frank opened the meeting.
Mrs. Wilhelm Backer read a passage from Holy Scripture, specifically from the Beatitudes, followed by prayer.
The reports of the Treasurer and Secretary were read and approved.
It was discussed that we clean the church, but nothing was decided.
There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz

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July x, 1916

Minutes of the July 1916 meeting.
The Ladies Aid met on Sunday afternoon, July x, in the church.
Pastor Rodenbeck read several verses from Holy Scripture, followed by prayer.
Mrs. Pirmann opened the business meeting.
The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.
It was decided that we clean the church next week.
The Pastor read a continuation of the story previously begun.
There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz

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August 17, 1916

Minutes of the August 1916 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Sunday afternoon, August 17, in the church for its monthly meeting.

Four members were present.

Pastor Rodenbeck read some verses from Holy Scripture, followed by prayer.

Mrs. Pirmann opened the business meeting.

The Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were read and approved.

Pastor Rodenbeck read the conclusion of the story that he had earlier begun.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz

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September 10, 1916

Minutes of the September 1916 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on September 10 in the church for its monthly meeting.

Four members were present.

Mrs. Pirmann opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, Secretary

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October 22, 1916

Minutes of the October 1916 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on October 22 in the church for its monthly meeting.

Five members were present.

Pastor Rodenbeck opened the meeting with a passage from Holy Scripture and prayer.

Since the President was not present, Pastor Rodenbeck opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

The job of needlework will be postponed until Christmas.

The Treasurer was directed to remind those who have not celebrated their birthdays during the past year and not have given for it, to do so.

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Pastor Rodeenbeck started a very interesting story.

Since there was no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz

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November 5, 1916

Minutes of the November 1916 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Sunday afternoon, November 5, in the church for its monthly meeting.

Eight members were present.

Pastor Rodenbeck read a passage from Holy Scripture, followed by prayer.

Mrs. Pirmann opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

Then the collection was taken.

Since there was no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, Secretary

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December 3, 1916

Minutes of the December 1916 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Sunday afternoon, December 3, in the church for its monthly meeting.

Six members were present.

Pastor Rodenbeck read the last two Psalms, followed by prayer.

Mrs. Pirmann opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

Then the collection was taken.

Pastor Rodenbeck read a story with the title of Christmas in Louisiana.

It was decided to send a box of quilts to the Preacher's Seminary.

Further, it was decided to give our esteemed Pastor ten dollars as a Christmas gift, and also to buy a gift for Miss Emily Backer. Mrs. Pirmann and Mrs. Frank were appointed to take care of the gift.

Since there was no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. Willhagen

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Annual Reort for 1916

A look back at the foregoing year shows that our Lord has let us complete a happy year through his great mercy and compassion.

The Ladies Aid had eighteen member during the year.

We met nine times in the church and three times in conjunction with birthdays.

Average attendance was seven. Mrs. F. Lorenz did not miss any meetings.

In December a box of quilts was sent to the Preacher's Seminary.

Also, the Society had the pleasure the give presents to our esteemed Pastor and the faithful organist for Christmas.

May the Lord continue to bless our work.

Mrs. Willhagen

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List of Members and Attendance 1917

	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
Rev. F. Rodenbeck	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
Mrs. Rodenbeck		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
Ms. A. Alke	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Mrs. Wm. Berghauser	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mrs. Wm. Backer	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Mrs. Philip Backer	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1
Mrs. Jno. Langenbach	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mrs. Wm. Frank	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. Fritz Lorenz	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. Louis Lorenz	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0
Mrs. Geo. Kreutz	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Mrs. Daniel Petri	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Mrs. Louis Petri	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
Mrs. Paul Pirmann	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1
Mrs. H. Sartor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mrs. H. Smith	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Mrs. Wischmann	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Mrs. Wm. Willhagen	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. Fritz Renner	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1
Mrs. Fritz Howelmann			1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1
Mrs. Fritz Sulzer			1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
	6	13	9	8	8	8	13	11	14	6	9	9

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January 19, 1917

Minutes of the January 1917 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Friday, January 19, in the home of Mrs. Franck for a birthday and monthly meeting.

Six members were present.

Pastor Rodenbeck read a passage from Holy Scripture, followed by prayer.

Mrs. Pirmann opened the business meeting.

The annual reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

The Society had the pleasure of accepting Mrs. Rodenbeck as a member.

Then the collection was taken.

Since so few were present, the election was postponed.

Then the Pastor read a story of earlier school times.

Since no further business was presented, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. Willhagen

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February 14, 1917

Minutes of the February 1917 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday, February 14, in the home of Mrs. Pirmann for a birthday celebration and monthly meeting. Thirteen members were present.

Pastor Rodenbeck read Psalms 46 and 91 and followed with prayer.

Then the collection was taken.

Then election of officers followed. The following were elected. Mrs. Franck, President. Mrs. Wichmann, Vice President. Mrs. Willhagen, Secretary. Mrs. F. Lorenz, Treasurer.

We had the pleasure to accept two new members, Mrs. Howelmann and Mrs. Sulzer.

Then Pastor Rodenbeck read a story, Tommie's first school day.

Since no more business was presented, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. Willhagen

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March 4, 1917

Minutes of the March 1917 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Sunday, March 4, in the church for a monthly meeting. Nine members were present.

Pastor Rodenbeck read Psalm 90 and followed it with prayer.

Mrs. Frank opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

Then the collection was taken.

It was decided that the Ladies Aid will have its monthly meeting on the first Thursdays of the month. On the preceding Sunday the location will be announced.

Further, it was decided to improve the floor of the church, after determining who could do it and how much it would cost.

Since there was no more business presented, Pastor Rodenbeck read a story.

Then the meeting adjourned with prayer.

Mrs. Willhagen

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April 5, 1917

Minutes of the April 1917 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, April 5, in the home of Mrs. Frank for its monthly meeting. Eight members were present.

Pastor Rodenbeck read Chapter 2 of Second Timothy and followed it with prayer.

Mrs. Frank opened the meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

Then the collection was taken.

Since there was no more business presented, Pastor Rodenbeck read a story.

Then the meeting adjourned with prayer.

Mrs. Willhagen

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May 3, 1917

Minutes of the May 1917 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, May 3, in the church for its monthly meeting.

Eight members were present.

Mrs. W. Backer read a passage from Chapter 14 of the Gospel of John, and followed it with prayer.

Mrs. Frank opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

Then the collection was taken.

It was decided to clean the church.

The repainting of the floor was put off for the time being.

Since there was no more business presented, the meeting adjourned with prayer.

Mrs. Willhagen

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June 7, 1917

Minutes of the June 1917 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, June 7, in the church for its monthly meeting. Eight members were present.

Pastor Rodenbeck read a passage from Holy Scripture, followed with prayer.

Mrs. Frank opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

Then the collection was taken.

Since there was no more business presented, Pastor Rodenbeck read a story.

Then the meeting adjourned with prayer.

Mrs. Willhagen

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June 28, 1917

Minutes of the July 1917 meeting [which apparently took place at the end of June].

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, June 28, in the homes of Mrs. Petri and Mrs. Renner for a birthday celebration and monthly meeting. Thirteen members were present.

Pastor Rodenbeck read Psalm 31 and followed it with prayer.

Mrs. Frank opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

Then the collection was taken.

Since there was no more business presented, Pastor Rodenbeck read a story.

Then the meeting adjourned with prayer.

Mrs. Willhagen

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August 5, 1917

Minutes of the August 1917 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Sunday, August 5, after worship service for a short business meeting. The Pastor opened the business meeting. The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved. Then the collection was taken. The business of the Society concerned a contribution to the Red Cross. It was decided that the only way the Society could participate in this worthy cause was to have a monthly "love offering" and that the contribution would be paid on the third Sunday of the month to Mrs. L. Lorenz. Since there was no more business presented, the meeting adjourned with prayer.
Mrs. Willhagen

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September 20, 1917

Minutes of the September 1917 meeting. The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, September 20, at the home of Mrs. P. Backer for a birthday celebration and monthly meeting. Fourteen members were present. Pastor Rodenbeck read a passage from Holy Scripture, and followed it with prayer. Mrs. Frank opened the business meeting. The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved. Then the collection was taken. Since there was no more business presented, the meeting adjourned.
Mrs. Willhagen

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October 11, 1917

Minutes of the October 1917 meeting. The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, October 11, at the home of Mrs. Pirmann for its monthly meeting. Six members were present. Mrs. L. Lorenz read a passage from Corinthians I, Chapter 13. Mrs. Frank opened the business meeting. The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved. Then the collection was taken. Since there was no more business presented, the meeting adjourned.
Mrs. Willhagen

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November 1, 1917

Minutes of the November 1917 meeting. The Ladies Aid met on Thursday, November 1, in the home of Mrs. Frank for its monthly meeting. Nine members were present. Pastor Rodenbeck read a passage from James 2 and followed it with prayer. Mrs. Frank opened the business meeting. The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

Then the collection was taken.

It was decided that this year we send a box of fruit preserves to the Orphanage. All members of the congregation would be asked to contribute to this, which was done abundantly.

Since there was no more business presented, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. Willhagen

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December 5, 1917

Minutes of the December 1917 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday, December 5, at the home of Mrs. Frank for its monthly meeting. Nine members were present.

Pastor Rodenbeck read a passage from Holy Scripture and followed it with prayer.

Mrs. Frank opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

Then the collection was taken.

It was decided that the Ladies Aid would give Pastor Rodenbeck \$10 as Christmas gift. Mrs. Rodenbeck, Mrs. Frank, and Mrs. L. Lorenz were appointed to take care of a gift for the organists Miss Emilie Backer and Miss Frida Wolz.

Since there was no more business presented, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. Willhagen

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List of Members and Attendance 1918

	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
Rev. Rodenbeck, then Klick	1											
Mrs. Rodenbeck, then Klick	1									1	0	1
Mrs. Alke	0	0	0		0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Mrs. Berghauser	0	0	0		0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Mrs. Wm. Backer	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Mrs. Ph. Backer	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Mrs. John Langenbach	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Mrs. Wm. Frank	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
Mrs. Fritz Lorenz	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. Louis Lorenz	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
Mrs. Geo. Kreutz	0	0	0		0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Mrs. Daniel Petri	0	1	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mrs. Louis Petri	1	1	0		0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
Mrs. Paul Pirmann	1	0	1		1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1
Mrs. H. Sartor	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mrs. H. Smith [Schmidt]												
Mrs. H. Wischmann	1	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Mrs. Wm. Willhagen	1	1	1		1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
Mrs. Fritz Renner	0	1	0		0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0

Mrs. Hovelman	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mrs. Wm. Sulzer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	11	8	6	6	8	6	8	6	5	10	7	5

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Annual Report for 1917

Once again the Ladies Aid has been granted the completion of a happy year. Our meetings are not so faithfully attended, but as it is said, where two or three gather together, I am with them. The Society counted twenty members in the past year. Eight times the Society met for business meetings and four times in conjunction with birthdays. In December the Society sent a box of fruit preserves to the Orphanage in St. Louis. Also, the Society had the pleasure to present gifts to our Pastor and the loyal organists for Christmas.

Mrs. Willhagen

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January 2, 1918

Minutes of the January 1918 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday, January 2, in the home of Mrs. Rodenbeck for its monthly meeting. Ten members were present.

Pastor Rodenbeck read a passage from Holy Scripture, and he followed it with prayer.

Mrs. Frank opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

Then the collection was taken.

Since no further business was presented, Pastor and Mrs. Rodenbeck visited with us a while, because this was our last meeting with them. We wish them much happiness and blessings in their new home.

Mrs. Willhagen

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Our Society has already been saddened in this new year by the departure of one of our members, namely Mrs. Heinrich Schmidt [Smith]. She proved a faithful member of the Society, always ready to help with the work. For several years she was the secretary of the Society. Because of her great distance living away from the city, she could not regularly attend meetings as she did earlier. Nevertheless, we still knew that she always had great interest and love for the Society. So we say to her a fond "farewell" in the hope that she now rests in eternal salvation.

Nach einer Prüfung kurzer Tage

After a test of short duration

Führt du uns Gott zur Ewigkeit.

God leads us to eternity.

Dort endent sich der deinen Klage,

There your complaints end

In himmlischer Zufriedenheit.

In heavenly contentent.

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February 13, 1918

Minutes of the February 1918 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on February 13 in the home of Mrs. Frank for its monthly meeting. Seven members were present.

Mrs. Frank opened the meeting and read Chapter 1 of John. Then we prayed the Lord's Prayer. The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

Then the collection was taken.

Then followed the election of officers with the following result. Mrs. Frank, President. Mrs. P. Backer, Vice President. Mrs. Willhagen, Secretary. Mrs. F. Lorenz, Treasurer.

Then it was decided that the Society favor the older members of the Society who cannot always come to our meetings with a potted flower, to show that we continue to think of them. But if they are no longer able to come to our meetings, they should not forget their obligations. Mrs. L. Lorenz was named to take care of the flowers.

Since no more business was presented, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. Willhagen

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March 6, 1918

Minutes of the March 1918 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on March 6 in the home of Mrs. Willhagen for its monthly meeting. Six members were present.

Mrs. P. Backer read a passage from Chapter 14 of the Gospel of John, and followed it with prayer.

Mrs. Frank opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

Then the collection was taken.

Since no more business was presented, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. Willhagen

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April 3, 1918

Minutes of the April 1918 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on April 3 in the home of Mrs. P. Backer for its monthly meeting. Six members were present.

Mrs. Pirmann read Psalm 69 and followed it with prayer.

Mrs. Frank opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

Then the collection was taken.

It was decided that we favor Mrs. Schiller with a potted flower. Mrs. Pirmann was named to take care of it.

Further, it was proposed that it would be nice if we could hold our monthly meetings at homes of our members who could not always attend our meetings.

Since no more business was presented, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. Willhagen

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May 1, 1918

Minutes of the May 1918 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday, May 1, at the home of Mrs. Langenbach for its monthly meeting. Nine members were present.

Mrs. F. Lorenz read Psalm 103 and followed it with prayer.

Mrs. Frank opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

Then the collection was taken.

It was decided that we clean the church in the next two weeks. The day was not determined.

Since no more business was presented, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. Willhagen

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June 5, 1918

Minutes of the June 1918 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday afternoon, June 5, in the home of Mrs. Pirmann.

Mrs. Louis Lorenz read Chapter 12 of the letter to the Romans.

Mrs. Frank opened the meeting.

Since Mrs. Willhagen was absent, Mrs. L.H. Lorenz called the roll and read the minutes. Mrs. Fritz Lorenz read her report.

Then the collection followed.

Since no more business was presented, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, pro tem.

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July 3, 1918

Minutes of the July 1918 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday, July 3, in the home of Mrs. Kreutz for its monthly meeting. Eight members were present.

Mrs. F. Lorenz read a passage of Holy Scripture.

Mrs. Frank opened the meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

Then the collection was taken.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned with prayer.

Mrs. Willhagen

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August 7, 1918

Minutes of the August 1918 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday, August 7, in the home of Mrs. L. Lorenz for its monthly meeting. Seven members were present.
Pastor Klick read a passage from the Gospel of Matthew, Chapter 3, and followed it with prayer.
Mrs. Frank opened the business meeting.
The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.
Then the collection was taken.
We had the pleasure of accepting Pastor Klick as an honorary member of our Society.
Further, it was decided that we send to Mrs. Sulzer, a member of our Society, a letter to cheer her up during her severe illness. Pastor Klick was so kind to agree to take it to her for us.
There being no further business, the meeting adjourned with prayer.
Mrs. Willhagen

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September 4, 1918

Minutes of the September 1918 meeting.
The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday, September 4, in the home of Mrs. F. Lorenz for its monthly meeting. Five members were present.
Pastor Klick read Psalm 92 and followed it with prayer.
Since Mrs. Frank was absent, Mrs. P. Backer opened the business meeting.
The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.
Then the collection was taken.
There being no further business, the meeting adjourned with prayer.
Mrs. Willhagen

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October 2, 1918

Minutes of the October 1918 meeting.
The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday, October 2, in the home of Mrs. Willhagen for its monthly meeting. Ten members were present.
Mrs. Willhagen read Psalm 108, followed with prayer.
Mrs. P. Backer opened the business meeting.
The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.
Then the collection was taken.
It was decided that each member give ten cents more in monthly dues in order to meet the necessary expenses.
Further, all members were invited next Wednesday to meet at the home of Mrs. L. Lorenz to welcome Mrs. Klick. We hope that all is pleasing to her in her new home.
There being no further business, the meeting adjourned with prayer.
Mrs. Willhagen

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November 6, 1918

Minutes of the November 1918 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday, November 6, in the home of Mrs. Frank for its monthly meeting. Seven members were present.

Pastor Klick read a passage of Holy Scripture, followed with prayer.

Mrs. Frank opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

The Society had the pleasure to accept Mrs. Klick as a member of the Society.

Then the collection was taken.

It was decided that we send a box of preserves to the Preacher's Seminary this year for Christmas.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned with prayer.

Mrs. Willhagen

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December 4, 1918

Minutes of the December 1918 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on December 4 in the home of Mrs. Pirmann for its monthly meeting. Five members were present.

Pastor Klick read Chapter 28 of the Gospel of Matthew, and followed it with prayer.

Since both the President and Vice President were absent, Pastor Klick opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

Then the collection was taken.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned with prayer.

Mrs. Willhagen

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On Sunday, November 24, it pleased the Lord to take home Mrs. Langenbach, a member of the Ladies Aid, after a long illness.

Mrs. Langenbach was one of the first members of the Society. She joined when Pastor Meier founded it. She remained faithful to it until the end. She was prevented because of severe illness for several years from attending meetings of the Society, but in her heart she was always concerned with it. She had to suffer badly but she did it with perseverance and gave herself to God's will.

Often she said how much she would gladly die and she looked forward to saying her farewells, but she still had to hold out until the end when the Lord called her.

We confidently believe that she now is saved from all agony, called into eternal salvation by her God.

One can also say of her:

*Ei wie Selig schafst du
Nach manchen schweren Stand.
Und liegst nun da in Süsßer Ruh
In deines Heilands Hand.*

Oh, how blessed you sleep
After so many hard times.
So now lie in sweet peace.
In your Savior's hand.

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Annual Report for 1918

A look back at the preceding year shows us that the Lord has granted us the completion of a happy year by his mercy and compassion.

The Society counted 20 members in the closing year. But the Society grieved by the loss of two of its members, namely Mrs. Schmidt and Mrs. Langenbach. The Society met 12 times for business meetings. The birthday celebrations were canceled this year, but all dues were paid. In December the Society send a box of preserves to St. Louis for the Preacher's Seminary. Also the Society had the pleasure to give gifts at Christmas to our Pastor and the faithful organists. May the Lord continue to bless our work.

Mrs. Willhagen

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List of Members and Attendance for 1919

	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
Rev. Klick	0	1	1	1	1	0						
Mrs. Klick	0	1	1	1	1	0						
Mrs. Alke	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mrs. Berghauser	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mrs. Wm. Backer	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Mrs. Ph. Backer	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0
Mrs. Wm. Frank	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. F. Lorenz	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. L. Lorenz	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. Geo. Kreutz	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
Mrs. Dan. Petri	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mrs. Louis Petri	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1
Mrs. P. Pirmann	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1
Mrs. H. Sartor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Mrs. H. Wichman	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mrs. W. Willhagen	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1
Mrs. F. Renner	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
Mrs. Hovelman	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mrs. Hunsinger			0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0
Mrs. Danhuser			1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1
	7	11	10	10	11	6	9	7	8	12	7	7

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January 8, 1919

Minutes of the January 1919 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday, January 8, in the home of Mrs. P. Backer for its monthly meeting. Six members were present.

Mrs. Wichman read Chapter 6 of the Acts of the Apostles.

Mrs. Frank opened the business meeting.
The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.
The collection was taken.
Then the election of officers followed with the following result. Mrs. Frank, President. Mrs. L. Lorentz, Vice President. Mrs. Willhagen, Secretary. Mrs. F. Lorentz, Treasurer.
There being no more business, the meeting adjourned with prayer.
Mrs. Willhagen

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February 5, 1919

Minutes of the February 1919 meeting.
The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday, February 5, in the home of Mrs. Wichmann for its monthly meeting. Eleven members were present.
Pastor Klick read Psalm 92 and followed it with prayer.
Mrs. Frank opened the business meeting.
The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.
Then the collection was taken.
The Ladies Aid decided to give the choir an oyster supper to show them thanks for their service on Sundays. A committee of three was elected, namely Mrs. P. Backer, Mrs. Willhagen, and Mrs. L. Lorentz to take care of this. Mrs. Louis Lorentz was so kind to invite the choir to meet at her house on February 27 for the supper.
The Society had the pleasure to accept two new members into it, namely Mrs. Hunsinger and Mrs. Danuser, and we all welcomed them into our midst.
There being no more business, the meeting adjourned.
Mrs. Willhagen

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March 5, 1919

Minutes of the March 1919 meeting.
The Ladies Aid met on March 5 in the home of Mrs. Fritz Lorenz for its monthly meeting. Ten members were present.
Pastor Klick read a passage from Holy Scripture and followed it with prayer.
Mrs. Frank opened the business meeting.
The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.
Then the collection was taken.
It was decided to clean the church before Easter, and we will discuss when we will do it at our next meeting.
There being no more business, the Pastor read two short stories, a Christmas celebration at the North Pole and the other Christmas in Stringtown.
Then the meeting adjourned with prayer.
Mrs. Willhagen

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April 2, 1919

Minutes of the April 1919 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday, April 2, in the home of Mrs. L.H. Lorenz for its monthly business meeting. Ten members were present.

Pastor Klick read a passage from Chapter 18 of the Gospel of Matthew.

Mrs. Frank opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

It was decided to clean the church. Mrs. Pirmann and Mrs. Baker were named as a committee to see that the windows would be washed. Mrs. L.H. Lorenz was named to provide a vacuum cleaner.

Pastor Klick read part of a story.

The meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, pro tem.

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May 7, 1919

Minutes of the May 1919 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday, May 7, in the home of Mrs. Willhagen for its monthly meeting. Ten members were present.

Pastor Klick read a passage from Matthew, Chapter 22, and followed it with prayer.

Mrs. Frank opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

Then the collection was taken.

Then the Pastor read out loud the Constitution of the Society.

There being no more business, the Pastor read a continuation of the preceding story.

Then the meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Mrs. Willhagen

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June 4, 1919

Minutes of the June 1919 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on Wednesday, June 4, in the home of Mrs. Danhuser for its monthly meeting. Six members were present.

Mrs. Frank read Psalm 93 and opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

The collection was taken.

There being no more business, the meeting adjourned with prayer.

Mrs. Willhagen

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July 2, 1919

Minutes of the July 1919 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on July 2 in the home of Mrs. Frank for its monthly meeting. Nine members were present.

Mrs. L. Lorenz read a passage from Chapter 14 of Exodus.

Mrs. Frank opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

There being no more business, the meeting adjourned with prayer.

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August 6, 1919

Minutes of the August 1919 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on August 6 in the home of Mrs. Hunziker. Seven members were present.

The reports were approved.

Mrs. Fritz Lorenz read Psalm 120.

It was decided to hold the next meeting at the home of Mrs. Kreutz.

There being no more business, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, Secretary pro tem.

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September 3, 1919

Minutes of the September 1919 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on September 3 in the home of Mrs. Kreutz for its monthly meeting. Six members were present.

Mrs. Danuser read Psalm 125.

Mrs. Frank opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

Then the collection was taken.

It was decided to hold the next meeting at the home of Mrs. F.Lorenz.

There being no more business, the meeting adjourned with prayer.

Mrs. Willhagen

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October 1, 1919

Minutes of the October 1919 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on October 1 in the home of Mrs. Fritz Lorenz for its monthly meeting.

Twelve members were present.

Mrs. Fritz Renner read a passage from Holy Scripture.

Mrs. Frank opened the business meeting.

The reports were read and approved.

Then the collection was taken.

It was decided to hold the next meeting at the home of Mrs. Pirmann.

There being no more business, the meeting adjourned with prayer.

Mrs. Willhagen

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November 5, 1919

Minutes of the November 1919 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on November 5 in the home of Mrs. Pirman for its monthly meeting. Eight members were present.

Mrs. Pirmann read Psalm 112.

Mrs. Frank opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

It was discussed whether we will buy a carpet for the church. Mrs. L.H. Lorenz was appointed to ask the Sunday School if they wished to contribute to this.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz and Mrs. Pirmann were named a committee to find out whether we invite the elderly women of the Society to a coffee.

There being no more business, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, Secretary pro tem.

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December 3, 1919

Minutes of the December 1919 meeting.

The Ladies Aid met on December 3 in the home of Mrs. L. Lorenz for its monthly meeting.

Seven members were present.

Mrs. Willhagen read Psalm 107.

Mrs. Frank opened the business meeting.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and approved.

Then the collection was taken.

It was decided that we wait until the new year, and if possible buy both matting and carpet for the church.

Mrs. Pirmann and Mrs. L. Lorentz were named to take care of gifts for both organists for Christmas. Further, it was decided to send a box of fruit preserves to the Epileptic Home at St. Charles, to which not only the Ladies Aid but all members of the congregation were asked to contribute.

All members of the Society were asked to come to the next meeting and decide whether we should again celebrate our birthdays in the next year.

There being no more business, the meeting adjourned with prayer.

[Mrs. Willhagen]

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Annual Report for 1919

A look back at the previous year shows us that the Lord has allowed us to complete a happy year by his grace and compassion. The Society numbered 18 members in the previous year.

But the Society was saddened by the departure of Mrs. Klick who had won so much love.

The Society met twelve times during the year.

Average attendance was only nine.

In December the Society send a box of preserves to the Epileptic Home in St. Charles. Also we had the pleasure to thank our faithful organists with gifts at Christmas. May the Lord continue to bless his work.

Mrs. Willhagen

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List of Members 1920

	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
Mrs. Alke	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Mrs. Berghauser	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mrs. Wm. Backer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Mrs. P.H. Backer	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1
Mrs. Wm. Frank	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1
Mrs. F. Lorenz	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1
Mrs. L. Lorenz	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
Mrs. Geo. Kreutz	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Mrs. Dan Petri	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Died Sept. 13			
Mrs. L. Petri	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Mrs. P. Pirmann	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Mrs. H. Sartor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mrs. H. Wichmann	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
Mrs. W. Willhagen	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. F. Renner	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0
Mrs. Hovelmann	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mrs. Huntzsinger	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
Mrs. K. Danuser	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
	9	7	7	7	9	9	9	8	5	9	11	6

[The names of women at whose homes the monthly meetings took place are written vertically beneath each month's column:]

February: Phil Backer

March: Frank

April: Church

May: Danuser

June: H. Lorenz

July: Willhagen

August: Huntsaker

September: Church

October Pirmann

November: Wichmann

December: Frank

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Note: Minutes written in English begin here.

January 7, 1920

The Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. Willhagen. The meeting was opened with scripture reading from the Second Chapter of Luke, verses 21 to 30 read by Mrs. L. Lorenz. The President declared the meeting opened. The roll was called showing nine members present. The minutes of our last meeting and the report for the year 1919 were read and accepted. The Treasurer's report was read and accepted. A communication from the church's Finance Committee was read and it was noted that we continue to give \$4.25 a month to the Pastor's salary. After discussing the subject of having refreshments at our Aid meetings it was voted that bread, butter, preserves and coffee be served and no member be allowed to serve other things. Next came the election of officers for the ensuing year, the following being elected:

Pres. Mrs. L.H. Lorenz	V. Pres. Mrs. P.J. Pirmann
Sec. Mrs. W.F. Frank	Treas. Mrs. F. Lorenz

Mrs. P.F. Backer invited the Aid to meet at her home in February. A motion was made and carried that the meetings of the Aid be conducted [p. 114] in English instead of German. There being no other business the meeting was closed by the members repeating the Lord's Prayer in unison.

Mrs. W.F. Frank, Secretary

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February 4, 1920

The Ladies Aid Society met at the home of Mrs. P.F. Backer Feb. 4, 1920.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz conducted the Devotional, reading a portion of the twentieth chapter of Matthew, followed by prayer.

The president presided at the business meeting. The roll was called. The minutes of last month's meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was read and approved. The collection was then taken. As there was no further business the meeting adjourned. A social hour followed the business meeting.

Mrs. L.H. Lorenz, Sec. Pro Tem.

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March 3, 1920

The Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. Frank, March 3, 1920.

The meeting was called to order by the Vice President Mrs. Pirmann.

Mrs. Danuser read the 17th chapter of St. John. The roll was called.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Treas. report was read and accepted.

The dues for the month were collected \$4.70.

Birthday money from Mrs. Lorenz \$2.00 and Mrs. Huntsicker gave \$5.00 towards buying matting of carpet for the church. There being no other business the meeting was closed by the members repeating the Lord's Prayer.

Mrs. Willhagen then read us a short German story entitled Johannis 3-16, which the members enjoyed very much.

Mrs. W.F. Frank, Secretary

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April 7, 1920

The monthly business meeting of the Ladies Aid was held in the Church, there being seven members present.

The President Mrs. Louis Lorenz read the Gospel from St. John 20 chapter verses 19-31, followed by prayer.

The roll was called. The minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted. Treas. report of money collected, was read & accepted.

The dues for the month were then collected.

Cleaning the Church was then discussed and the President appointed a Committee of three (Mrs. Frank Pirmann & Danuser). The send [?They talked] about new matting for the aisles.

Mrs. Danuser invited the Aid to meet at her house for the May meeting. The President appointed Mrs. Frank to read.

There being no other business the meeting was closed by repeating the Lord's Prayer.

Mrs. W.F. Frank, Secty.

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May 5, 1920

The Ladies Aid Society met at the home of Mrs. Danuser May 5, 1920.

Mrs. Frank read the Scriptures on The Christians Warfare and Armor.

The President Mrs. L.H. Lorenz opened the business meeting. The roll was called.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The treasurer's report read and accepted. The monthly dues were then collected. The President appointed Mrs. Willhagen to read at the next meeting at Mrs. L.H. Lorenz. There being no other business the meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer. After which the members enjoyed a social hour. Members present 9.

Mrs. W.F. Frank, Secty.

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June 2, 1920

The Ladies Aid Society met at the home of Mrs. L.H. Lorenz June 2, 1920.

The meeting was opened by Mrs. Willhagen reading the 122 Psalm.

The President Mrs. Lorenz then opened the business meeting. The roll was called and the minutes of the last meeting read and approved.

The Treas. reported \$43.64 cents in the treasury.

The monthly dues were then collected. The place for next month's meeting was left open to be decided later.

The President appointed Mrs. Philip Backer to read at the next meeting. There being no other business the meeting was closed by repeating the Lord's Prayer. Mrs. Willhagen then read a short story which all enjoyed. Members present 9.

Mrs. W.F. Frank, Secty.

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July 7, 1920

The regular monthly meeting of the Ladies Aid Society was held at the home of Mrs. Willhagen July 7, 1920.

The meeting was opened by Mrs. Philip Backer reading the 14 chapter of St. John.

The President Mrs. Louis Lorenz opened the business meeting.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read and approved.

The Treas. report—read and approved.

The dues for the month were then collected.

Mrs. Huntsicker invited the Aid to meet with her next month.

The President appointed Mrs. Fred Lorenz to read at the Aug meeting.

No other business appearing, the meeting was closed by repeating the Lord's Prayer.

After which a social hour was spent.

Members present 9.

Mrs. W.F. Frank, Secty.

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August 4, 1920

The Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. Huntsiker, eight members being present.

The Vice President Mrs. Pirmann opened the meeting by reading the 13th chapter of the first Epistle of Paul.

The business meeting was opened. Roll called and minutes of the last meeting read and accepted.

The dues for the month collected.

A communication from the Forward Movement committee was read and action on the same was deferred till next meeting so as to give the members time to study the matter over.

Our next meeting to be at the church. The Vice President appointed Mrs. Wichmann to read.

There being no other business, the meeting was closed by repeating the Lord's Prayer, after which a social hour was spent.

Mrs. Frank, Secty.

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September 1, 1920

The regular meeting of the Ladies Aid was held at the church.

There being 5 members present. Mrs. Louis Lorenz opened the meeting by reading the 57 Psalm.

The roll was called. The minutes of the last month's meeting were read and approved. The Treas. report was read and accepted.

A bill of \$25.00 for the matting was presented and on motion was allowed and Treas. instructed to pay for same.

Mrs. Fred Lorenz to read at the next meeting.

Place of meeting for next month (Oct.) at Mrs. Pirmanns.

There being no other business, the meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Mrs. Frank, Secty.

P.I.O. The Ladies voted not to take up the Forward Movement.

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Resolutions of Respect in memory of Mrs. Dan Petri who died Sept. 13, 1920.

Again that unwelcome yet relentless visitor, death, hath entered the portals of our Aid and summoned one of our charter members to the home beyond. Her zealous work in the interests of our Aid, and her life, laden with gentleness and kind deeds, has won for her the plaudit of the good Master, and will cause her name to be cherished in the affectionate memory of our Aid.

And Whereas, the allwise Father hath called her to the New Jerusalem, where happily she hath heard the signal of her release on the bells of the Holy City, the chimes of eternal peace. We tender to the family of our deceased member our sincere condolence.

We'll not forget them, we who stay.

To toil a little longer here, Their names, Their faith, Their love shall live in memory, all bright and clear.

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October 13, 1920

The Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. Pirmann for the regular meeting.

The meeting was opened with the reading of the 18th chapter of Matthew by Mrs. Wm. Backer, followed by prayer.

The Vice President then declared the meeting opened for business. The roll was called & minutes of the 1st meeting read. The Treas. report was accepted. And the monthly dues were collected.

The question was then brought up to ask each member & also other Ladies of the church to contribute to the payment of the matting which was purchased for the church, and the Vice President appointed Mrs. Frank & Danuser to solicit from the Ladies and report at next meeting.

A bill for \$5.00 for flowers for Mrs. Petri's funeral was presented and on motion was ordered paid. Mrs. Renner thanked the Aid for the floral offering.

Mrs. Willhagen was appointed to read at the Nov. meeting, which will be at Mrs. Fred Lorenz's.

[p. 125] There being no other business the meeting was closed with prayer after which the Ladies spent a social hour.

Mrs. Frank, Secty.

P.S. There were eight members present.

November 3, 1920

The Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. Wichmann.

The meeting was opened with the reading of the 6th chapter of Matthew by Mrs. Willhagen. The Vice President then declared the meeting opened and ready for business.

The roll was called and 11 members responded present. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Treas. report was read and accepted.

The committee composed of Mrs. Danuser and Frank who were to secure donations for the matting purchased for the church turned over \$116.75 to the treas.

A question then arose about having [p. 126] an Oyster & Ice Cream Social. After much discussion a motion was made & seconded that we have a Social provided we could secure enough donations to insure a success. This motion carried.

A motion was then made, seconded, & carried that we have the social the evening of Nov. 18, 1920. The V. Pres. then appointed the following committees: Mrs. Frank & Willhagen on Oysters. Mrs. Danuser & Renner on Lard & Eggs. Mrs. Huntziker & Phiil. Backer on Cream & Cake. The committees to report to the V President as soon as possible what had been secured. Our next meeting to be at Mrs. Frank's and Mrs. Lorenz was appointed to read.

There being no other business the meeting was closed by repeating the Lord's Prayer.

Mrs. Frank, Secty.

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December 1, 1920

The Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. Frank. In the absence of both Pres. & V. Pres. the Secty declared the meeting opened.

After the reading of the 112 Psalm by Mrs. Fred Lorenz, the Secty declared the meeting opened for business. The minutes of our last meeting were read and approved. The Treas. report read and accepted. The bills for the Oyster & Ice Cream Social had all been paid and the Treas. reported \$146.12 cleared. It was voted to put this money in the Treas. and keep it to use toward buying a carpet for the church. A motion was made to extend a vote of thanks to Mr. Pirmann and Mr. Backer for their assistance in helping the Ladies with the supper. A motion was made, seconded & carried to send our 2 oldest members Mrs. Sartor & Kreutz some flowers and Mrs. Willhagen was appointed a committee of one to purchase same.

It was decided to talk at our meeting in Jan. about sending a box to the orphans' home or some other place.

Mrs. Lorenz invited the Aid to meet with her [p. 128] in Jan. and Mrs. Huntziker was appointed to read. There being no other business the meeting was closed by repeating the Lord's Prayer.

Mrs. Frank, Secty.

Report for the year 1920

Time in its onward flight has swept away another year and numbered it with the past. How quickly it has flown. Another year has gone, and we again meet to plan for the future of our Aid. Many things conflict with the work we plan, still through all, we have seen wonderful good in what has been accomplished and we hope the future is opening up to greater things. During the year our Aid lost one of its members by death (Mrs. Dan Petri) but what is our loss has been her gain and her memory will ever be cherished. The Aid numbers 17 members and the average attendance for the year has been 8. We held 12 meetings [p. 129] during the year, two at the church and 10 at the homes of members. Mrs. Willhagen never missed a meeting during the year. On Nov. 19 we gave an Oyster & Ice Cream supper, which netted us the nice sum of about \$146.00. We also collected \$23.25 cents toward paying for matting that we purchased for the church. And at Christmas the Aid had the pleasure of remembering our organists. So it seems that the year 1920 has not been all together a failure yet.

“Another twelve months for a new endeavor,
 Another season for our best intent;
 Thank God, these few short days close not forever
 The chance to do the things we really meant.”

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Roll Call membership for 1921

	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
Mrs. Alke	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Mrs. Berghauser	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mrs. Wm. Backer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Mrs. P.H. Backer	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1
Mrs. Wm. Frank	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. F. Lorenz	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1
Mrs. L. Lorenz	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
Mrs. Geo. Kreutz	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mrs. L. Petri	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	
Mrs. P. Pirmann	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. H. Sartor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mrs. H. Wichmann	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1
Mrs. W. Willhagen	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. F. Renner	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0
Mrs. Hovelmann	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mrs. Huntsinger	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1
Mrs. R. Danuser	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1
Mrs. Marx											0	0
Mrs. Schmidt												0
Mrs. Detwiler												0

[The names of women at whose homes the monthly meetings took place are written vertically below each month's column.]

- January: Mrs. F. Lorenz
- February: Mrs. Danuser (Mrs. Renner, hostess)
- March: Mrs. Frank
- April: Mrs. Huntsinger
- May: Mrs. P. Backer
- June: Mrs. Danhauser
- July: Mrs. Lorenz
- August: Mrs. H. Wichmann
- September: Mrs. Petri
- October: Mrs. Willhagen
- November: Mrs. Pirmann
- December: Mrs. Lorenz

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January 5, 1921

The Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. F. Lorenz. Mrs. Pirmann opened the meeting by reading the 90 Psalm. The meeting was then opened for business. The Secty's report for the Dec. meeting and also the report for the year 1920 were read and accepted. The treasurer's report for the year showed that \$132.95 cents were collected for the year and \$86.00 expended. A bill of \$2.00 for flowers which were sent to Mrs. Kreutz and Sartor was allowed and ordered paid and a motion made & carried that we send each another little remembrance. Mrs. Frank was appointed a committee of one to get the same. Misses Emily Backer & Frida Wolz sent thanks to the Ladies for their Xmas remembrance. It was decided to send a box of fruit & clothes to the Orphans Home at St. Louis. There being so few members present it was thought best to postpone the election of officers till our next meeting. Next meeting place at Mrs. Danusers and Mrs. Danuser was appointed to read. The meeting was closed by repeating the Lord's Prayer.

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February 2, 1921

The Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. Danuser. Mrs. Renner being the hostess. The Vice President Mrs. Pirman called the meeting to order. Mrs. Danuser read the first chapter of John, after which the meeting was declared open for business. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The Treas. reported \$198.00 in the Treas. The monthly dues were then collected. A bill of \$2.00 for flowers sent to members was allowed and order paid also \$1.67 cents for expense on boxes sent to the Orphans Home. The next order of business was the election of officers and the following were elected for the year.
President, Mrs. Wichmann
Vice President, Mrs. Danuser
Secty., Mrs. Pirmann
Treas., Mrs. F. Lorenz
Mrs. Huntziker invited the Aid for March and Mrs. Renner was appointed to read.

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There being no other business the meeting was closed by repeating the Lord's Prayer after which the Aid spent a social hour.

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March 2, 1921

The Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. Frank. The Pres. Mrs. Wichmann called the meeting to order.

Mrs. Renner read the 22 chapter of Chronicles after which the meeting was declared open for business.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Eight members were present. The Treasurer reported \$190 in the Treasury.

The monthly dues were then collected.

A motion was made, seconded and carried that our Aid purchase a carpet for the church. The President appointed a committee of two, Mrs. Frank and Pirmann, to see about ingrain carpets and prices and report at our next meeting.

Mrs. Ph. Backer invited the Aid to her house for our April meeting. This latter was changed and we were asked to come to Mrs. [p. 136] Huntziker's home. Mrs. Frank was appointed to read. There being no other business the meeting was closed by repeating the Lord's Prayer. A social hour followed, which was enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Pirmann, Sec.

Fulton, Mo., April 6, 1921

The Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. Huntsinger. The Pres. Mrs. Wichmann called the meeting to order. Mrs. Frank read the 21 Chapter of John, after which the meeting was declared open for business. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Seven members responded. The Treasurer reported \$193.80 in the Treasury. The monthly dues were then collected. The committee, appointed to look into the matter of seeing about [p. 137] carpet for the church, submitted samples. As these did not suit and as the committee was informed that Mr. Montgomery would soon receive some carpets, it was decided to postpone the decision to purchase a carpet until later.

The society decided to assist the Red Cross in providing infants clothing for women in Fulton in need of them. Mrs. Willhagen invited the Aid to meet at her house for our May meeting. Mrs. Fritz Lorenz was asked to read. There being no other business the meeting was closed by repeating the Lord's Prayer. A social hour followed, which was enjoyed by all.

Mrs. P.J. Pirmann, Sec.

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Fulton, Mo., May 4, 1921

The Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. Philip Backer. The Pres. Mrs. Wichmann called the meeting to order. Mrs. Fritz Lorenz read the 16 Chapter of Mark, after which the meeting was declared open for business.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Ten members were present. The Treasurer reported \$196 in the Treasury.

The monthly dues were then collected.

The committee which was appointed to purchase carpet reported to members that they purchased same at \$1.75 a yard. A motion was made, seconded and carried that when we get carpet, it should be paid.

Mrs. Wichmann said Mrs. Jasper expressed her sincere thanks to the [p. 139] members of our Aid for our liberal donation. Mrs. Philip Backer was asked to read. Mrs. Danuser invited the Aid

to her house for our June meeting. There being no further business the meeting was closed by repeating the Lord's Prayer. A social hour followed, which was enjoyed by all.

Mrs. P.J. Pirmann, Sec.

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Fulton, Mo., **June 1, 1921**

The Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. Danuser. The Pres. Mrs. Wichmann called the meeting to order. Mrs. Philip Backer read the 90 Psalm after which the President declared the meeting opened and ready for business.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Roll call showed 6 members present. The Treas. report was read and accepted. The dues were then collected. It was decided to try and sell the old carpet for 15 cents a yard. Mrs. Wichmann was to see about the same.

The Pres. asked Mrs. Huntziker to read at our next meeting, which is to be at Mrs. Wichmann. There being no other business the meeting was closed by repeating the Lord's Prayer, after which a social hour was spent.

Mrs. Frank, Secty. Pro tem.

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Fulton, Mo., **July 6, 1921**

The Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. Lorenz. The President called the meeting to order. Mrs. Huntziker read the 67th Psalm after which the President declared the meeting opened and ready for business. Roll call showed 6 members present. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The Treas. reported \$2.80 collected for interest for six months, and \$201.80 in the Treasury. A bill of \$5.00 for flowers for Mrs. Sartor was presented and motion made and carried that bill be allowed. A card of thanks from the children and grandchildren of Mrs. Sartor was read.

It was decided to try and get some one to clean the church, and Mrs. Wichmann offered to see about the same and report at our next meeting.

Mrs. Wichmann asked the Aid to meet at her home next month and appointed Mrs. L. Petri to read. There being no other business the meeting was closed by repeating the Lord's Prayer and a social hour was spent.

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Fulton, Mo., **August 3, 1921**

The Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. Wichmann. The Pres. Mrs. Wichmann called the meeting to order. Ms. Petri read the 3rd chapter of Mark, after which the President declared the meeting opened and ready for business.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Eight members responded. A bill of \$5 for flowers was presented and on motion was called, allowed, and Treas. instructed to pay for same. Mrs. Wichmann reported she could get a man to clean church for the price of six dollars. A motion was made, seconded, and carried that he do the work.

It was decided to sew carpet Wed. eve Aug. 10. Mrs. Willhagen was asked to read a portion of scripture. Mrs. Petri asked the Aid to meet at her home for our Sept. meeting. [p. 143] There being no other business the meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer. A social hour followed.

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Fulton, Mo., Sept. 7, 1921

The Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. Petri. The Pres. Mrs. Wichmann called the meeting to order. Mrs. Willhagen read the 25th Psalm, after which the Pres. declared the meeting opened and ready for business. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Eleven members responded. The Treas. reported \$105.90 in the Treasury. Motion was made and seconded, carred, that Mrs. Wichmann be paid for the following amount she paid out, 60 cents for mop and soap & 60 cents for tacks. Mrs. Danuser expressed her thanks to the members of the Aid society for the flowers that were sent her during her illness at the [p. 144] hospital. Mrs. L. Lorenz was appointed to read at our next meeting. Mrs. Willhagen invited the Aid to meet at her home next month. There being no other business the meeting was closed by repeating the Lord's Prayer. A social hour followed, which was enjoyed by all.

Mrs. P.J. Pirmann, Sec.

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Resolutions of Respect in memory of Mrs. H. Sartor and Mrs. George Kreutz
Mrs. H. Sartor died July 18, 1921, and Mrs. Kreutz passed away July 26, 1921.

Whereas, Our Divine Father has seen fit to remove from our midst two of our charter members; Whereas, they by their devotion to their society and their unselfish work in its behalf during the many years that they were members of the same, showing by their acts and deeds a true Christian spirit, and at all times ready to do the will of the Master in his great cause;

Whereas, they have been called home to their reward in Heaven, where their long life of usefulness and service to their Church and Master will be rewarded by everlasting life;

Resolved, that we as members of our Ladies Aid society feel a distinct loss in their parting and that their death leaves a void in our midst that will be hard to fill, and [p. 146] that we herewith acknowledge the inspiration we have had through the beautiful characters that they portrayed.

And be it further resolved that we extend to the families of our deceased members our heartfelt sympathy, but commending them to the Great Master, who doeth all things well and through faith in Him they can cherish the knowledge that the future holds for them, a reunion of joy and peace on high.

Mrs. Pirmann

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Fulton, Mo., October 6, 1921

The Ladies Aid met at the home of Ms. Willhagen. The Pres. Mrs. Wichmann called the meeting to order. Rev. Baltzer read the ninth chapter from the Gospel of Matthew, after which the Pres. declared the meeting opened and ready for business. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Twelve members were present. The Treasurer reported \$104.05 in the

treasury. The monthly dues were then collected. A motion was made, seconded and carried that efforts be made to secure new members and the Pres. appointed Mrs. Louis Lorenz, Mrs. Frank and Mrs. Philip Backer as a membership committee. A motion was made, seconded and carried that Mrs. Merx become a member of our Aid. We welcom Mrs. Merx into our midst and we hope to spend many pleasant hours together. Mrs. Pirmann invited the Aid to meet at her home [p. 148] for our Nov. meeting. Rev. Baltzer will conduct the devotional. As there was no further business the meeting was adjourned. A social hour followed which was enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Pirmann, Sec.

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