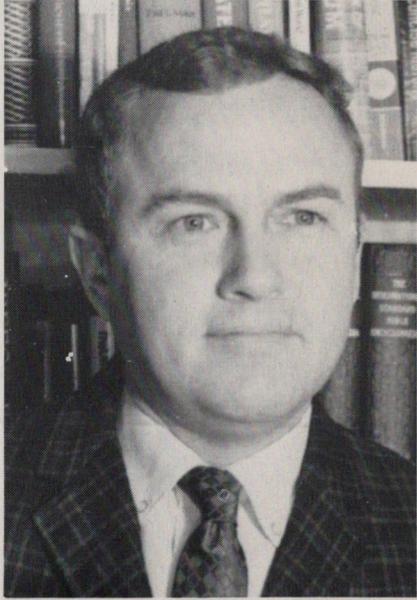


June 19, 1977

7:45 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

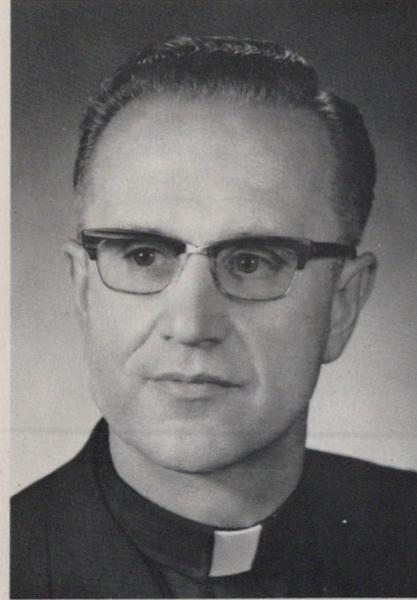


DR. PAUL MAIER
Professor-Chaplain
Western Michigan University

Dr. Paul L. Maier is professor of ancient history and chaplain to Lutheran students at Western Michigan University. A graduate of Harvard College and Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, the son of the founding speaker of The Lutheran Hour has compiled a rich record of service through his ministry and through his widely-acclaimed books. He has traveled widely, lectured to thousands and has received many honors for his theological works and service to his church.

September 25, 1977

7:45 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.



DR. RICHARD L. SCHLECHT
President
The Michigan District

Dr. Richard L. Schlecht has been president of the Michigan District in 1970 after many years of service to his church as a pastor and leader in synodical activities. He has been secretary of the Council of Presidents, has held numerous important commission and committee posts within the church, including member of the Board of Control of Concordia-Ann Arbor, delegate to the LCUSA conferences and member of the important nomination committees of the 1975 and 1977 conventions. He is a native of North Dakota.

Born in the heart of a mission-minded pastor of Germany, launched through hardship and disappointment by brave and dedicated pioneers, nurtured and matured by the steady hands of devoted pastors and loyal laymen ... Frankenhilf came into being and became the strong Lutheran Community of Richville and of St. Michael's Lutheran Church.

The beginnings were hard and for short periods the dream frequently faded ... but through the special blessings and concern of Almighty God, what had been dreamed became a reality — though perhaps not in the way it had originally been envisioned.

Down through the past 125 years, after overcoming the initial setbacks and disillusionments which have marked all great undertakings, the congregation of St. Michael's Christians has grown steadily both in numbers and in zeal.

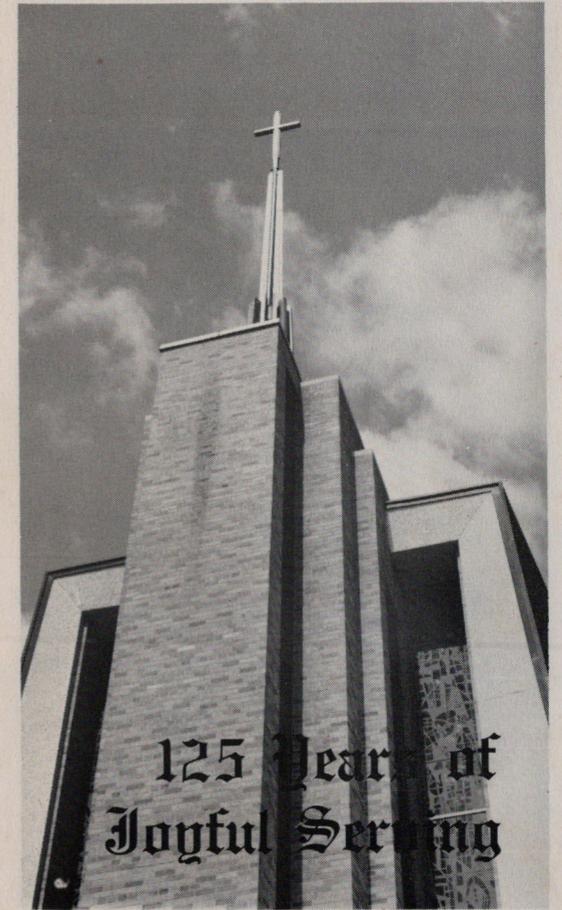
Today, as one of the leading congregations in the Michigan District and The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, the descendants of that first colony of Frankenhilf, have much to be thankful for, much to rejoice over.

As St. Michael's Lutheran Church and the community which it serves marks the 125th year of its founding, its pastors and its people extend a warm and sincere invitation to share their joy with them by participating in the six special services of thanksgiving which have been programmed for the 125th Anniversary Festival Year.

Many of the great leaders of our church will participate in this year-long festival — each bringing with them a special message of challenge as St. Michael's turns its face to the future years of service that await it.

In the name of the people of St. Michael's, it is my special pleasure and joy to extend this special invitation to you. We look forward to greeting you and sharing with you the joy that is ours during this very special 125th Anniversary Festival Year!

VICTOR J. SPIEKERMAN
Pastor



Schedule of Services

**Commemorating
The 125th Anniversary
St. Michael's Evangelical
Lutheran Church
Richville, Michigan**

Come Join Us In Our Year of Thanksgiving!

September 26, 1976

7:45 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

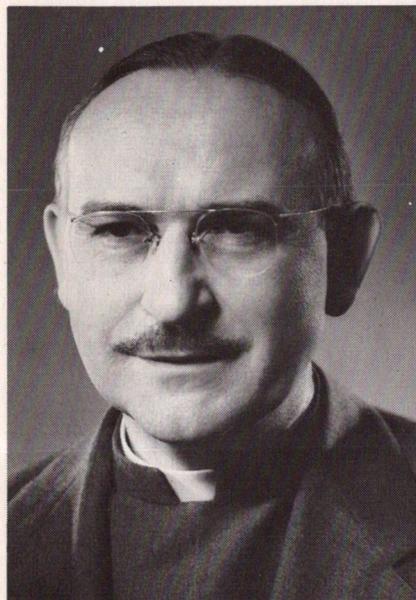


DR. E. C. WEBER
First Vice-President
Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

Dr. E. C. Weber is first vice-president of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. A native of Frankenmuth he served congregations in Illinois and at Fraser. He served as president of the Michigan District from 1966-1969 until his election to the synodical post. He serves as chairman of the Council of District Presidents and is a member of the Commission on Theology and Church Relations. Dr. Weber is an especially familiar and popular son of this area's Lutheran tradition.

December 12, 1976

7:45 a.m.-9 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

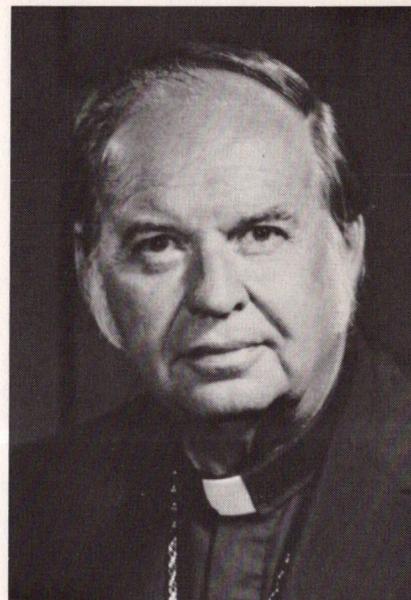


DR. GILBERT T. OTTE
Archivist
The Michigan District

Dr. Gilbert T. Otte has a rich history of service to his church. He has been pastor of Trinity-Detroit since 1927 leading in its growth. He is Archivist for the Michigan District and member of Synod's Concordia Historical Institute Board. He is widely-respected for his research and work in the field of church history. He is also feature editor of the Michigan Lutheran and has served his synod and district in such diverse roles as developing the rebirth of The Lutheran Hour to vice-president of the District.

February 27, 1977

7:45 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

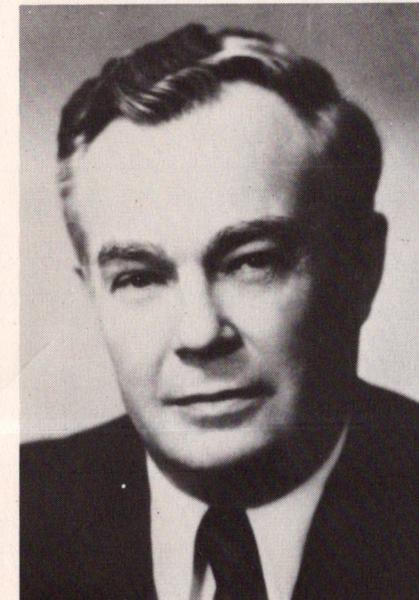


DR. OSWALD HOFFMANN
Speaker
The Lutheran Hour

Dr. Oswald Hoffmann, speaker of the Lutheran Hour's world-wide mission, has served his church for 35 years as parish pastor, college professor, film production advisor, public relations executive and world-wide radio speaker. He is known throughout the Christian church, having served in many international activities. Time magazine once described Dr. Hoffmann's sermons as "the most widely-heard sermon on radio." He has traveled throughout the world and is familiar to many of the world leaders.

May 8, 1977

7:45 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.



DR. J. A. O. PREUS
President
Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

Dr. J. A. O. Preus is president of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. He has served as a parish pastor, professor of New Testament and president of Concordia Seminary-Springfield. He has traveled throughout the world in his work and ministry and has completed original works and translations of theological works. He comes from a rich tradition of family Lutheranism and is a native of St. Paul, Minnesota. He has served as synodical president since 1969.