Graduation Service

of

The Evangelical Lutheran Seminary of Canada

Waterloo, Ontario

Sunday, May 9th, 1954

ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Kitchener, Ontario

Rev. Franklin Jensen, Pastor

Order of Service

The Processional Hymn (No. 216)

(1)
Lift us your heads, ye gates of brass,
  Ye bars of iron, yield,
And let the King of Glory pass;
  The Cross is in the field;
That banner, brighter then the star
  That leads the train of night,
Shines on their march, and guides from far
  His servants to the fight.

(2)
A Holy war those servants wage;
  In that mysterious strife,
The powers of heaven and hell engage
  For more than death or life.
Ye armies of the living God,
  Ye warriors of Christ's host,
Where hallowed footstep never trod
  Take your appointed post.

(3)
Though few and small and weak your hands,
  Strong in your Captain's strength,
Go to the conquest of all lands;
  All must be His at length.
Uplifted are the gates of brass,
  The bars of iron yield:
Behold the King of Glory pass;
  The Cross hath won the field.

The Versicles

Rev. A. G. Jacobi, President of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Canada

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

The Psalm (No. 19)

The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament showeth His handywork.
Day unto day uttereth speech: and night unto night showeth knowledge.
There is no speech nor language: where their voice is not heard.
Their line is gone out through all the earth: and their words to the end of the world.
In them hath He set a tablernacle for the sun: which is as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race.
His going forth is from the end of the heaven, and his circuit unto the ends of it: and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.
The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple.
The statutes of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes.
The fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever: the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.
More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.
Moreover by them is Thy servant warned: and in keeping of them there is great reward.
Who can understand his errors: cleanse Thou me from secret faults.
Keep back Thy servant also from presumptuous sins, let them not have dominion over me: then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression.
Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in Thy sight: O Lord, my Strength and my Redeemer.

The First Lesson (Isaiah 50: 4-10)

Dr. H. N. Bream, Professor of Old Testament Theology

The Anthem (Sanctus by W. A. Mozart)

St. Mark's Senior Choir, under the direction of Mr. Fred Lincke, Organist

The Second Lesson (II Timothy 1: 1-14)

Dr. O. W. Heick, Professor of Systematic Theology

Hymn (No. 232)

(1)
Look from Thy sphere of endless day,
O God of mercy and of might!
In pity look on those who stray,
Benighted in this land of light.

(2)
In peopled vale, in lonely glen,
In crowded mart, by stream or sea,
How many of the sons of men
Hear not the message sent from Thee!

(3)
Send forth Thy heralds, Lord, to call
The thoughtless young, the hardened old,
A scattered, homeless flock, till all
Be gathered to Thy peaceful fold.

(4)
Send them Thy mighty Word to speak
Till faith shall dawn, and doubt depart,
To awe the bold, to stay the weak,
And bind and heal the broken heart.

(5)
Then all these wastes, — a dreary scene,
That fills with sadness as we gaze, —
Shall grow with living waters green,
And lift to heaven the voice of praise.

The Sermon

Rev. R. B. Geelhaar, Pastor of the Listowel Parish

The Offering

The Conferring of Diplomas

Rev. C. R. Cronmiller, President of the Board of Governors

The Presentation of Prizes and Scholarships

Dr. U. S. Leupold, Acting Dean

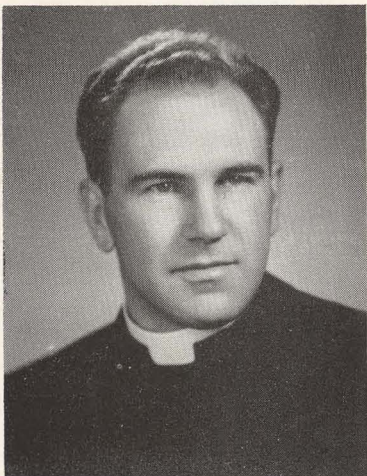## The Prayer and Benediction

Rev. Franklin Jensen, Pastor Loci

The Recessional Hymn (No. 397)

(1)
Forsake me not, my God,
Thy gracious hand extend me!
O Father, lead Thy child.
Where'er I go, defend me!
My steps are turned towards home;
Lighten the darksome road:
My Guide, my Guard, my All;
Forsake me not, my God!

(2)
Forsake me not, my God!
Restrain, confirm, direct me,
Control my tottering feet,
From sinful falls protect me;
The Holy Spirit grant;
And, 'neath the heaviest load,
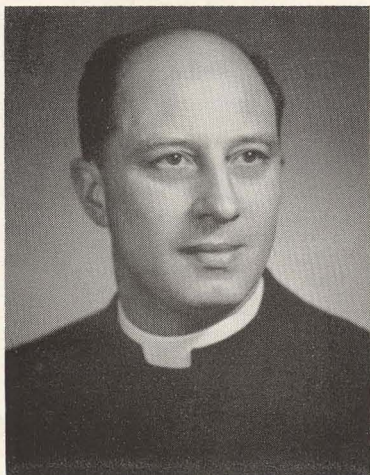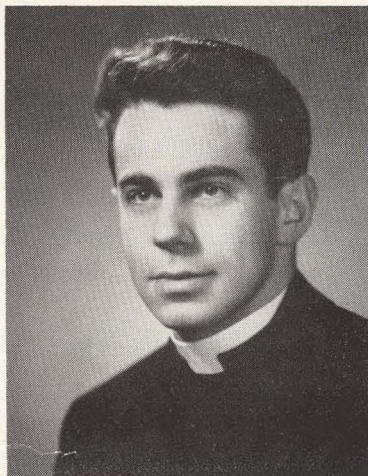Be Thou my Strength and Stay;
Forsake me not, my God!

(3)
Forsake me not, my God!
In every trying hour,
O King of kings, be nigh
With Thy resistless power!
Against the tempter's arts,
Thy mighty aid afford,
That I may never yield;
Forsake me not, my God!

(4)
Forsake me not, my God!
Help me, Thy Word believing,
To keep through life Thy faith,
In death Thy crown receiving.
I long to see Thy face,
To dwell in Thine abode,
To know Thee as Thou art;
Forsake me not, my God!

Norman L. Lange came to Waterloo Seminary from Millet, Alberta, having obtained his B.A. degree from the University of Alberta. Upon graduation and ordination, he will serve the Rankin Parish of the Canada Synod.

Erich R. W. Schultz is the son of Rev. William Schultz, late pastor of St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Brodhagen. He is a resident of Waterloo, a member of St. John's Church and graduate of Waterloo College. Upon graduation and ordination, he will serve St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Ellice Township.

Godfrey R. Oelsner, a native of Germany, came to Waterloo from the Ottawa Valley. His family lives in Arnprior, and he was working in Ottawa when he decided to study for the ministry. He obtained his B.A. degree from Waterloo College and will, upon graduation and ordination, serve the Maynooth-Raglan Parish of the Canada Synod.