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Re Ernest Larsen



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Sunday 8 P.M.  
June 2, 1963  
at Lutheran  
Church, Underwood,  
Iowa

**J**esus said,  
“If a man loves me, he will keep  
my **W**ord, and my **F**ather will  
love him, and we will come to him....  
the **H**oly **S**pirit, whom the **F**ather  
will send in my name, **H**e will  
teach you all things... **M**y peace  
I give to you....”

John 14:23-27

## Order for Ordination

Prelude

Processional Hymn

# 188

Lord Jesus Christ, be present now,  
And let thy Holy Spirit bow  
All hearts in love and fear today,  
To hear the truth and keep thy way.

Our voices tune to sing thy praise,  
Our hearts in true devotion raise,  
Our faith increase, and grant us light  
That we may know thy Name aright.

Then shall we join the hosts that cry,  
Thrice-holy is the Lord Most High!  
And dwell with God in that blest place  
Where we shall see him face to face.

Glory to God, the Father, Son,  
And Holy Spirit, Three in One;  
To thee, O blessed Trinity,  
Be praise throughout eternity! Amen.

The Liturgy for Worship - pp. 15-23

The Epistle - Romans 10:8-15

The Gradual and Alleluia

The Holy Gospel - John 21:15-17

The Confession of Faith - The Nicene Creed - p. 4

The Anthem

The Sermon Hymn

# 510

Take my life, and let it be  
Consecrated, Lord, to thee;  
Take my moments and my days,  
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move  
At the impulse of thy love;  
Take my feet, and let them be  
Swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice and let me sing  
Always, only for my King;  
Take my lips, and let them be  
Filled with messages from thee.

Take my silver and my gold,  
Not a mite would I withhold;  
Take my intellect, and use  
Every power as thou shalt choose.

Take my will and make it thine,  
It shall be no longer mine;  
Take my heart, it is thine own,  
It shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour  
At thy feet its treasure-store;  
Take myself, and I will be  
Ever, only, all for thee. Amen.

The Sermon

Dr. C. C. Madsen

The Offertory - The Offering

The Prayer of the Church

Vocal Solo

Mr. David Larsen

Presentation of the Candidate

The Ordination Hymn

# 117

Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire  
And lighten with celestial fire;  
Thou the anointing Spirit art  
Who dost thy seven-fold gifts impart.

Thy blessed unction from above  
Is comfort, life, and fire of love.  
Enable with perpetual light  
The dullness of our blinded sight.

Anoint and cheer our soiled face  
With the abundance of thy grace.  
Keep far our foes; give peace at home;  
Where thou art guide, no ill can come.

Teach us to know the Father, Son,  
And thee, of both, to be but One;  
That through the ages all along  
Thy praise may be our endless song! Amen.

The Sacred Rite of Ordination

The Lord's Prayer (congregation)

Prayer for the Ministry

**The Ordinant Pronounces the Benediction  
Recessional Hymn**

# 443

Now thank we all our God  
With heart and hands and voices,  
Who wondrous things hath done,  
In whom the world rejoices;  
Who from our mother's arms,  
Hath blessed us on our way  
With countless gifts of love,  
And still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God  
Through all our life be near us,  
With ever joyful hearts  
And blessed peace to cheer us;  
And keep us in his grace,  
And guide us when perplexed,  
And free us from all ills  
In this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God  
The Father now be given,  
The Son, and him who reigns  
With them in highest heaven;  
The one eternal God,  
Whom earth and heaven adore;  
For thus it was, is now,  
And shall be evermore. Amen.

**Postlude**

**Ordinator and Preacher** Dr. C. C. Madsen  
President of Dana College, Blair, Nebraska

**Liturgist** - Rev. Harold Baar, Pastor of Underwood Lutheran  
Church, Underwood, Iowa

**Lector** - Mr. Stanley Larsen, brother of the candidate and  
a third-year theological student at Luther Seminary,  
St. Paul, Minnesota

**Soloist** - Mr. David Larsen, brother of the candidate

**Organist** - Mrs. Herluf Christensen

**Choir Director** - Mrs. Arlan Hildreth

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**VITA**

Ernest A. Larsen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis M. Larsen, Underwood, Iowa, was born near Underwood, Iowa on January 16, 1934; baptized in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Neola, Iowa; confirmed in Underwood Lutheran Church, Underwood, Iowa.

He received elementary and High School education at Underwood Consolidated School, graduating in 1951; graduated from Dana College, Blair, Nebraska, in 1959 with a Bachelor of Arts degree; spent one year Internship at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Racine, Wisconsin; graduated from Wartburg Seminary, Dubuque, Iowa, with a Bachelor of Divinity degree on May 29, 1963.

He has received and accepted a call to serve Emmaus Lutheran Church and St. John's Lutheran Church, Westby, Montana, assuming his duties June 20, 1963.

He was married to Joann Hundtofte of Sidney, Montana, in June, 1960. They have two children: Pamela Jo and Steven Immanuel.



Rev. Ernest

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Westby, Mont.

Dec. 1, 1965

"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government will be upon his shoulder, and his name will be called 'Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.'"

Greetings in our Savior's Name,

It hardly seems possible that it is time to sit down to compose greetings to friends and relatives for the Christmas season again but the calendar tells the story. Our heart's desire for each one of you during this joyous season is that you have found it possible to experience another year of God's rich grace and that as we again celebrate the incarnation you will know the real peace and joy that such 'good news' brought to the people of long ago and has continued to inspire the flame of faith in men's hearts through the centuries.

Since many of you get neglected most of the year as far as letters are concerned, this is a meager attempt to share our lives over the past 12 months. The most excitement was caused by the arrival of our # 2 son, Christian Immanuel, 3 days before Christmas last year. He has been a real joy, one of those 'good babies' you hear about. At the age of 2 months we discovered he was allergic to cow's milk, so we've been helping the farmers who raise soy beans by using their product for his main nourishment. He is now beginning to walk around furniture, crawl, and get into all Mommy's secret places, where she keeps such interesting things.

Pam and Steve have both grown considerably during the year, and Pam, at 4, is already eagerly anticipating the day when she can go to school. They both received 'trikes' for their birthdays last March so they've become mobile. Steve likes to play ball with Dad whenever Dad has time. He's a typical boy. We were all saddened last May to learn that Pam is totally deaf in her left ear. This causes some problems but being aware of it, we can be a little more understanding.

We enjoyed a week in Iowa in May, visiting Ernie's relatives and some old friends. Two weeks were spent in Yellowstone Park and the Grand Teton Park which really fascinated the children. They're still talking about the bears in Yellowstone. We had our first camping experience and thoroughly reveled in the mountain atmosphere, even though we had to take along all our bedding to keep warm (late August).

While Ernie continues his pastoral duties, becoming busier and more involved as time goes on, Jo is busy being a good housewife & mother. She had the privilege of painting a 30' mural of the town of Westby to be used for the Harvest Festival. She is grateful to make use of her paintbrush and originality whenever the opportunity arises. With Westby celebrating its 50th Jubilee next June, we have this excitement to anticipate.

It's time to close this epistle but as we do, may we take this opportunity to express our prayers THAT God will grant each of you His richest blessings through this joyous season and throughout the New Year as we continue steadfast in our faith continually anticipating His coming.

Sincerely, in Christ's love,

The Larsen Clan.


Ernie, Jo, Pam, Steve, & Chris Larsen

"In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." John 1:4-5.


Greetings of this season in the Name of the Lord of all grace.

With the coming of Advent we are reminded again in special ways of our friends, especially our brothers and sisters in Christ. May the joy of this blessed season issue forth anew in each of your hearts and fill your coming year with the power that overcomes.


Will try to set down some of the highlights of this past year for our family starting with the youngest:




Christian- age- 2 on Dec. 22. growing and with the coming of the ability to walk, and a naturally curious boy nature, getting into every nook and cranny to discover what's there has been this little guy's chief occupation and enjoyment. He's also learning to talk, so is in a very interesting age. He continues to be a real joy in our lives.



Steven- age- 4 on March 27. Typical 4 year old activity has been his lot. He had one experience that will stand out in his mind for a long time (ours too). In April he was burned on the left leg in a prairie grass fire and spent half of May in the hospital having skin graft. The graft took very well so outside of being sore through most of June, he got along very well. We all were so thankful it wasn't any worse, and for the lady who spotted him and put the fire out on his pants. We've enjoyed his presence and wit this past year.



Pamela- age- 5 on March 21. She is growing like a weed, has lost her 2 lower front teeth, gained one new one, now possesses her first bicycle, is just recovering from her first shiner due to a pushing incident between her and Steve, is now enjoying a part-time kindergarten class taught by her mother in her own home, enjoys getting out and playing with her friends, is still our number 1 public relations agent, and thinks she's really growing up. We enjoy her very much.



Joann- age- your guess is as good as mine, she won't let me in on the secret either. Continues to put her artistic ability to good use both in and outside of our church activities. She worked with me for illustrating our Lenten series last spring and we experienced our best Lenten Season yet. She assisted the Jr. class in decorating for their Jr.-St. Prom, spent some time in painting various scenes & signs for the celebration of the Westby 50th Jubilee in June and this fall has been teaching an experimental kindergarten class here in the parsonage with 16 pupils. In her spare time (?) she has taken up knitting, continues to sew, and keeps her duties as housewife and mother under control.



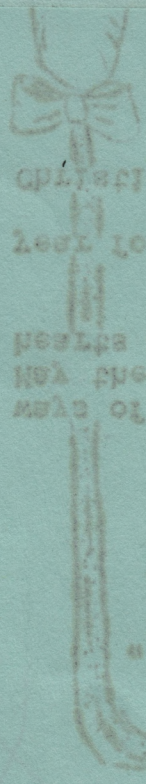
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Ernie- age- doesn't really matter anymore. Busy with pastoral duties  
inaugerating a form of the father-worship plan in one of  
his congregations, enjoying an interesting and inspiring  
Lenten series has chiefly occupied him. To keep life spicy  
he has had 3 calls this year, one of which he is now ac-  
cep ting, plus 3 inquiry phone calls. Life is exciting at  
times.

Family- enjoyed 2 weeks together in Rocky Mountain National Park,  
NW of Denver, spent 3 days with a college classmate and  
roommate, Richard and Carol Larson in Arvada Colo., attend-  
ed Dana's Homecoming exercises the first week-end in Nov.  
and visited many friends and relatives. After Jan. 1, 1967,  
address our mail to: 130 South 10th St.  
St. Maries, Idaho 83861

God's blessings to all of you!

Ernie, Jr, Pam, Steve, & Chris Larsen



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