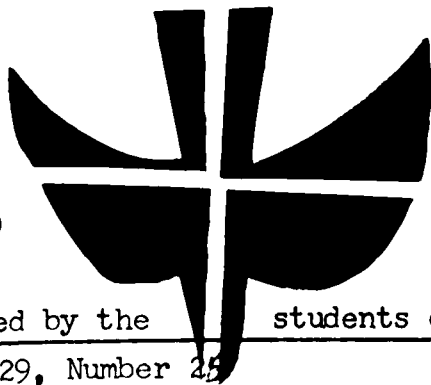


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# THE AGONY AND GLORY OF CHRIST CRUCIFIED

Two theological heresies are wreaking havoc in the Church of today. The one is the "God is dead" theology, the other is theological relativism. In confronting these two heresies we are greatly tempted to slip into biblical categories of atonement, propitiation, renewal of the covenant, etc., which while once meaningful are no longer relevant today. The agony of Christ crucified is that on the cross He fulfilled the first commandment - to fear, love and trust in God above all things, and to have no other gods beside the one God. The agony of the cross also becomes the question addressed to us: Is our God the God of the Crucified One who calls "My God, my God," even when He feels only His absence? Or is our God like Baal in the Old Testament and the idols of the pagans, dead and nothing. Must we not learn anew that the living God encounters us as Sovereign Lord, when we, like the first thief on the cross and the multitude under the cross, do not want to acknowledge Him.

The Christian faith in God would be more believable to the atheistic world if more Christians would take up His cross and follow Him, losing their lives  
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## A LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

...passing the stapeler...

Time waits for no man. It keeps moving. Even the moment at present has slipped away, never to be recaptured. So it goes with life. And people have a way of moving on too. Hence, it is time for the stapeler of The Seminarian to be passed on to younger and wiser men who will bear the responsibility of this weekly tabloid.

The last two issues (last week's and this one) of this paper have been the creative work of Bob Holley, George Yoder, Mark Fritch and Steve Gerhard. These four men will carry the load for the remainder of the year. Their shoulders are broad, but they will need your support which I urge you to give.

To all of you who have made The Seminarian what it is this year, I offer a sincere word of thanks. Your willingness to assist in many ways has been deeply appreciated. A special word of thanks to my wife who spent many nights at home alone so that you would have something to read each Thursday morning!

We've tried to bring a breath of fresh air to this campus. We've tried to draw the community together. We've tried to create a family atmosphere. We've tried to be serious. We've tried to be funny. But most of all, we've tried to present a responsible publication worthy of your attention.

Thanks again for all your support. It's been fun.

Dave Shaheen

# AGONY AND GLORY

from the pen of the poet

Flowers breaking through the ground  
Birds in flight, homeward bound  
And me, I have Spring Fever.

Little tots with fishing poles,  
Climbing trees and digging holes,  
And me, I have Spring Fever.

Sweaters replacing coats and hats,  
Teenagers swinging balls and bats,  
And me, I have Spring Fever.

Joann Knicely

## SPORTS SCENE

As the weather becomes increasingly stronger, it is anticipated that the sports activity at Mt. Airy will take up the slack as the vast flock of Seminarsians stampede from their smoke filled rooms and desert their theologically crammed minds for the simple life of volleyball, softball and golf. Yes, once again the high liturgical chant of "volleyball" is echoing in the courtyard of the main dorm. Therefore to partially satisfy your already whetted appetites, I will attempt to outline the spring sports scene at Mt. Airy.

As it was last spring, so too this spring the main emphasis will be upon community participation in the pick-up volleyball games organized after dinner. Extraordinary skill and talent are not required, rather just the desire to play. During the last week in April and the first week in May, it is hoped that there can be arranged a few inter-class games climaxed by the "annual" Junior-Faculty game. The big question is not whether the Faculty can raise a team but whether the Seniors can!

This spring there has been an increased interest in softball, possibly due to the indication that there was a chance for a softball game with G-burg. Upon closer examination there seems to be no suitable date open for extending an invitation to G-burg. But sufficient interest has been shown that we are planning an intramural softball game on Fri. April 5, in the early afternoon. Further information on the site and time will be forthcoming.

This year we are attempting a revival of Golf Day. Jesse Hauk who is organizing this gala affair, stresses  
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for His sake and for the sake of His brethren..!"to know the fellowship of His suffering, becoming like Him in His death." (Phil. 3:10) Not theology, not even the best, but discipleship manifests what faith in God is and that God is "my God" even in hell and death.

The cross of Christ which is the evangelists' answer to the heresy that God is dead is at the same time also, especially in the Johannine passion story, God's answer to theological relativism. The notion that there are many roads to God, the idea that Christ is identical with His disciples, the Church or with the downtrodden and disenfranchised multitude is contradicted by the sovereignty of Him whose Lordship is inexchangeable with man's creatureliness. His Lordship is manifest even in His death - as the one and only Christus Victor.

Christ's Lordship is realized in the confession and in the service of love of His disciples. The world, insofar as it does not confess Him, is still of its father, the Devil (John 8:44ff.) in spite of the fact that the Johannine Christ is the agent of creation and is designated to rule over the restored world.

God hidden and God drawn near in the awfullness of His judgement and in the fullness of His grace, Christ's yes to God and to creation and the creation's no to Christ are all involved in the agony and the glory of the cross.

Gerhard Krodel

that the competition will be based on handicaps. So anyone who can hold a club has a chance of winning. Anyone who is interested and can get his hands on a set of clubs, contact Jesse. The competition will probably be held on the last weekend in April or the first weekend in May.

Oh yes, I think that we ought to include the pool tournament in the spring sports scene, especially since it has taken Crawford, Newhart, Stone and Rothrock over a month to play their first round game. Who knows, we might have to stay around after exams to see the finals played.

Bill Villaume

# E. PLACEMENT

The Seminarian has compiled this list of the Junior class C.P.E. assignments, so that you will be able to correspond with them. The addresses given are as complete as possible and included is the date of the program.

- David L. Alderfer - Massachusetts Mental Health Center, 72-76 Fern wood Road, Boston, Massachusetts 02115. May 27 - August 16
- Alfred Assa - Connecticut Valley Hospital, Middletown, Connecticut. June 3 - August 23
- James Daley - Haverford State Hospital, Darby Rd. at College Ave., Haverford, Pa. May 27 - August 16
- Albert I. Douglass - Philadelphia State Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa. 19114 June 3 - August 23
- David S. Fritch - The Lutheran Welfare Association of New Jersey, Rm. 811, Broadway, Stevens Building, Camden, New Jersey 08103 May 27 - August 16
- Mark A. Fritch - Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts 02114 May 27 - August 16
- Nelson W. Gaetz - Yale-New Haven Hospital, 789 Howard Ave., New Haven, Connecticut 06504 June 10 - August 23
- David A. Genszler - Philadelphia State Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa. 19114 June 3 - August 23
- Stephen Gerhard - Lutheran Service Society of Western Pennsylvania, 5940 Baum Blvd., Pittsburgh, Pa. 15206 June 3 - August 23
- Jacob Heikkinen - Lancaster General Hospital, Lancaster, Pa. 17602 June 6 - August 16
- Frederick Hennen - E.J. Meyer Memorial Hospital, 462 Grider St., Buffalo, New York 14215 June 10 - August 30
- Robert F. Holley - Presbyterian Medical Center at University of Pennsylvania, 51 N. 39th St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19104 June 3 - August 16
- Robert J. Karli - Fort Logan Mental Health Center, 3520 West Oxford Ave., Denver, Colorado 80236 June 10 - August 30
- Victor Kulisek - Haverford State Hospital, Darby Rd. at College Ave., Haverford, Pa. May 27 - August 14
- Clark W. Kuntz - Hartford Hospital, Hartford, Connecticut. June 3 - August 9
- George Mathews - Crozer Chester Medical Center, Chester, Pa. June 3 - Aug. 23
- Dennis O'Rourke - Lutheran Medical Center, 4520 Fourth Ave., Brooklyn, N.Y. 11220 June 10 - August 23
- John R. Sabatelli - Central Islip State Hospital, Station H, Central Islip, New York 11722 June 3 - August 22
- John R. Scarafia - Presbyterian University of Pennsylvania Medical Center, 136 W. Allens Lane, Apt. F1A, Philadelphia, Pa. 19119 June 3 - August 16
- Frederick Schneeberg - Methodist Hospital of Brooklyn, 506 Sixth St., Brooklyn, New York 11215 May 27 - August 16
- Rhett V. Simmonds - Presbyterian Medical Center, Clay and Webster Sts., San Francisco, California 94115 June 3 - August 21
- Gordon Simmons - Presbyterian University of Pennsylvania Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa. 19104 June 3 - August 16
- John A. Thomassen - 765 42nd St., Brooklyn, New York
- William A. Villaume - E.J. Meyer Memorial Hospital, 462 Grider St., Buffalo, New York 14215 June 10 - August 30
- Robert Wardwell - Haverford State Hospital, Darby Rd. at College Ave., Haverford, Pa. May 27 - August 14
- William P. Welther - Crozer-Chester Medical Center, Chester, Pa. June 3 - Aug. 23
- George Yoder - Presbyterian University of Pennsylvania Medical Center, 51 N. 39th St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19104 June 3 - August 16



# CALENDAR

- Mar. 28 - Juniors visit Publication House.
- Mar. 30 - 8:30 PM Choir concert for benefit of East Mt. Airy Neighbors Association at Congregation Beth-Or. \$1.00
- Mar. 31 - 3:00 PM Choir concert, Zion Lutheran Church, Flourtown, Pa.
- Apr. 1 - Middler internship forms due to The Seminarian.
- Apr. 2 - 11:20 AM Holy Communion
- Apr. 3 - 7:45 PM Mt. Airy Players perform The Figure on the Cross at Bethel Lutheran Church, Philadelphia, Pa.

## AROUND CAMP

The great book sale at the bookstore continues this week.....Jobs on campus are available for any student interested for the Easter Recess. See Mr. Kaufmann by April 1. Good fringe benefits.....Paul Hrdlicka is confined to his home with infectious hepatitis.....Harry Souders passes on the information that a new doll will appear on the market next week. It's called the Dr. Albert Doll. You wind it up and it sponsors a concert.... Lots of preaching opportunities open for those interested. Dr. Reumann is looking for someone to preach on Seminary Sunday at Trinity Lutheran Church, Rochester, N.Y. Pick any date: May 5, 19, or 26.... Mrs. Prigge is looking for students to fill preaching vacancies for May 19 and 26 in Williamstown, N.J. and for someone to help Easter Sunday morning in Hellertown, Pa.....Germantown Savings Bank has a job opening for a student wife. The bank is located at 5458 Germantown Ave. Contact them direct.....Organ and Choir Concerts galore this time of year. Be sure you have a seat for the Jazz Liturgy at St. Michael's on April 28 when the Choir will perform for the 2nd time Eddie Bonnemere's interpretation of the Lutheran Liturgy. Order form is attached..... Tuskegee Institute Choir performs at Irvine Auditorium, April 9. Tickets thru CCLP office.....Princeton Seminary Choir performs March 31 (7:30PM) at Christ-West Hope Presbyterian Church in Overbrook Hills, Haverford and Manoa Roads... ..Robert Glasgow will give an Organ Concert April 2 at 8:00 PM at St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Wayne, Pa. See Al Waganan for tickets at 1/2 price.

# CAMPAIGN '68

The following Constitution changes are proposed for action by the Student Body. These changes concern election procedures. They are necessary because of the required internship.

## Section 1. The President.

The president shall be a middler. He shall be elected in April of his junior year. His term of office shall begin in May at Commencement and extend the entire academic year.

## Section 2. The Vice President.

The vice president shall be a senior. He shall be elected in October of his senior year. His term of office shall be from the time of his election to the following Commencement.

## Section 3. The Secretary.

The secretary shall be a junior. He shall be elected in October of his junior year. His term of office shall be from the time of his election to the following Commencement.

## Section 4. The Treasurer.

The treasurer shall be a middler. He shall be elected in April of his junior year. His term of office shall begin in May at commencement and extend the entire academic year.

Voting on the proposals will take place in approximately three weeks.

Paul Britton  
Drew Fischer

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