

Story list of articles from *The Lutheran* for Rich Stewart's history about Black Lutherans

Note: In several visits to the ULS Library in Philadelphia, Dawn Stewart and Mark Staples have been working together. Initially Dawn focused on the *Lutheran Standard*, magazine of the ALC, and Mark has been looking at issues of *The Lutheran*, magazine of the LCA, with which he is more familiar, as he worked for the magazine 1973-86. We have found many noteworthy articles that might be posted with the ELCA's permission. Jocelyn Fuller is the ELCA executive who grants permissions. Mark has written her about the process for approvals and has received an enthusiastic and supportive response. He's also heard from the editor of *Living Lutheran*, now an online magazine of the ELCA. The editor, Andrea Pohlmann Kulik, has likewise been enthusiastically supportive, and the protocol for crediting the church and magazine for postings will be quite simple. (Mark has known Andrea for many years.) Mark and Dawn have been focusing on issues of the magazines in the period of 1973-86 and earlier as Dr. Perry in an earlier meeting recommended that time ('73-'86) as a fruitful period to consider. Mark has been focusing so far on the end of that period (See below). After completing her review of *The Standard*, Dawn has been focusing on the earlier years of Dr. Perry's suggested time frame for *The Lutheran*. In our last session Dec. 19, she looked at the 1960s when the magazine was digest-sized and found a feature on Jim Gunther of Transfiguration (Harlem).

The listing below begins with stories Mark has come across that are important but (save one) are not included in his listing of 124 pieces of one kind or another from 1983 to 1986.

Please note, this editor corrects some typos or mistakes from earlier editions. Also note, the magazine published only one issue in the months of July, August and December much of the time.

Page 24 – Feb. 15, 1984 issue

LCA called to renew opposition to racism (news story – Mark happens to be the author)

Reviving the Dream, feature (cover) article about the ministry of Joseph Walker in Alabama, Dec. 3, 1980 issue page 4 (Mark is author)

Black Lutherans plan conference in 1981, Nov. 5, 1980 issue, page 21, news story

March 17, 1982 issue, pages 4-7, Behind Barbed Wire, cover feature on plight of Haitian refugees at Camp Krome in Florida, features comments by Livingston Crichlow (photo) page 5, when he was an executive with Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service (LIRS). (Mark wrote this article and interviewed Livingston).

Mark contacted Tim Frakes, producer of Mosaic, about shows involving Black Lutherans. He noted an interview with Richard Perry and shows involving Wyvetta Bullock on the History of the ELCA. He was going to check on more possible episodes.

Articles from *The Lutheran*

1983

January 19, 1983, cover story pages 4-7, What's Best for the Kids? Story on parochial schools as an alternative, features Emanuel, South Philadelphia, photos of Black youth.

January 19, pages 8-10, profile on Julio Quinones, ALC layman/sociologist, helping church adapt to new cultures. He is a member of the LCA's Consulting Committee on Inclusive Ministry.

January 19, page 16, Kidbits story, Watch for Biases in storybooks and textbooks.

Jan. 19, page 27, Joe Stephenson (African American layman) launches new soup kitchen in Cambridge, OH. He has a construction business and built a community center in Cambridge.

February 16, 1983, page 16, Khory Lewis, Reformation, Philadelphia, writes about his family history including slavery. He is 8. Kidbits feature.

February 16, 1983, page 18C, Contact (SEPA newsletter), story about John Parkinson entitled Ministry Behind Bars, great photo. He is Chaplain for social ministry in the Southeastern PA Synod.

Feb. 16, page 21, Lutherans commemorate civil rights leader (MLK) with references to Craig Lewis, Eddie Bonnemere, Albert Pero and photo of Freedom Choir of Philadelphia singing at Grace Lutheran in the city of Philadelphia.

March 16, 1983, pages 10-12, features photo of Dorothy Ricks (page 12) listening to four Lutheran mothers explaining how they cope in East Germany.

March 16, (forgot to include exact page, around page 22). Tortured pastor lives without hatred. News story about Simon Farisani.

March 16, page 25, photo of Rosemary Dyson with story about five award-winning synod publications that are inserts in the magazine.

March 16, page 30, Consulting Committee on Minority Group Interests urges dialogue with minority churches.

April 20, 1983, page 30, Because of you ad focuses on Reginald Hansons, Jr., with photo, LTSP seminarian set to graduate in 1984.

April 20, page 31, photo of Loretta Walker, secretary of CNLC.

May 4, 1983, page 26, Lutheran Church Women assembly will focus on racism...

May 4, page 28, People item, Joyce Spears, Augustana, Washington, DC, selected as member of Maryland All-State Orchestra, with photo. She is a 7th grader.

May 18, 1983, page 18C of Contact (SEPA Synod insert), Julius Carroll subs as preacher for no show U.S. Rep. Bill Gray at MLK celebration at Muhlenberg College.

May 18, page 28, People item. Alberta Lockett, Bethel (West End Avenue) Chicago, honored by Chicago Sun Times. She is an organizer for senior activities and events.

June 15, 1983, pages 4-7 cover story entitled The struggle to divest.

June 15, pages 11-13, Profile of Louise Shoemaker, Dean of Penn's School of Social Worker, focuses on her attempts to confront racism and sexism. She has an adopted 16-year-old African American daughter, Lisa.

July 1983, page 19, photo of Nelson Trout, new Bishop of the South Pacific District of the AL C with photo. He is described as the first Black Lutheran Bishop in the U.S.

July, page 28, People item. Lura Miller, 58, a recent graduate of California Lutheran College regularly walked 10 miles from her home to attend classes. A philosophy major, she plans to focus on counseling terminally ill patients. She returned to college after her son's untimely death.

August 1983, page 18A of SEPA Contact, photo of elections committee chair Ray Foy signaling the election of Bishop Hand with "ecclesiastical smoke."

Sept. 7, 1983, page 24, Iowa young people witness to the unchurched, featuring photo of Ruth Simmons, a member of St. John, Des Moines. She is part of the LCA's Ventures in Ministry initiative.

Sept. 21, pages 12, 13, A butterfly experience, report of LCW assembly with photo of a black delegate, focuses in part on racism.

Sept. 21, page 17, (exceptional photo) Pastor Will Herzfeld in San Francisco with a group of leaders marching for equality and justice. In accompanying story Herzfeld discusses racism.

Sept. 21, page 34, In Opinion, Editor Ed Trexler focuses on the elusive goal of equality.

Oct. 5, 1983, page 18B of Contacts (SEPA newsletter), Photo of Julius Carroll and also a mention of Rose Dyson in a section on People.

Oct. 5, page 22, photo of Black youth in Chicago making stoles depicting Reformer Martin Luther's life.

Oct. 5, page 25, photo featuring Joe Walker as part of a news story about young people from Washington, Colorado, Alabama, Illinois cooperating in service projects. Story mentions Joe Walker as lay developer for Faith Lutheran Church in Tuskegee and Pastor Victor Langford of St. Mark, Seattle. Youth helped paint that congregation.

Oct. 19, 1983, page 21, news story cites a survey in Minnesota that reveals justice issues get low support.

Nov. 2, 1983, Bishop Crumley in Bishop's Turn column describes "Making the Bible speak inclusively." (forgot to include page number).

Nov. 2, page 24, remarkable story about Richard Kelley, age 16, Resurrection Church in Roxbury MA. He was guest soloist with the Boston Symphony Orchestra twice playing the trumpet. (Great photo). Kelley also plays clarinet, flute saxophone, guitar and drums. His favorite instrument is the trumpet.

Nov. 16, 1983, pages 4-6, cover story on Not all in the same boat: Unfinished minority goals. With photo of Lawrence Haygood.

Nov. 16, page 29, photo of Pastor Alden Towberman, Peace Church, Canton, OH, with NFL quarterback (ret.) Sonny Jurgenson at NFL Hall of Fame induction ceremonies. Pastor Alden was chaplain for the event.

Nov. 16, page 31, CNLC Report #2 features photo of Loretta Walker, CNLC secretary.

Nov. 16, page 37, CNLC report features nice photo of Callon Holloway, Will Herzfeld and Elizabeth Bettenhausen.

December issue, page 11, features unique photo of Jocelyn Mushala, a Lutheran from Tanzania being crowned Lucia Queen at Augustana, Washington, DC.

December, page 22, Story on Black music enriches worship. Pastor Wyatt Walker of Canaan Baptist in Harlem and a specialist in the history of Black music, addresses 170 Lutheran pastors, church musicians and laity attending a New York area conference on Black worship.

1984

January 4, 1984, page 18C (Contact, Southeastern PA Synod insert), Meet the Rev. Julius Carroll, new assistant to Bishop Lawrence Hand.

January 4, 1984, page 24, Black Lutherans Hold Convention (Pittsburgh), with photo of the Rev. Will Herzfeld, story by Ramona Carroll.

January 4, 1984, page 24, Group reviews Minority Ministry Plans.

January 4, page 28, "People" section, piece about the Rev. Maurice Ngakane, pastor of Holy Trinity, Flint, MI. He was a former United Methodist who fled South Africa, joined the LCA. Photo with Synod Bishop Ray Heine.

Feb. 15, 1984, page 24 LCA called to renew opposition to racism, news story about work of the Consulting Committee on Minority Group Interests, news story by Mark Staples, member of the committee.

Feb. 15, 1984, page 30, Because of You advertisement featuring the Rev. Richard Perry.

March 7, 1984, cover story feature, Savannah's James Capers: A Church Finds Life After Death, pages 4-6, story by Mark Staples about Holy Spirit Church and Pastor Capers.

April 4, 1984, page 28 "People". Martha Woodward Rawlins of Zion, Hutchinson, Kansas, receives Valiant Woman Award from Church Women United of Hutchinson, photo.

June 6, 1984, Iowa (Synod) calls for study of racism, sexism. Richard Perry (photo) is keynote speaker.

June 6, 1984, page 24, photo with caption of members of Advent, Philadelphia, processing through city streets bearing a veiled cross on Good Friday.

June 6, 1984, page 26, Grover Wright receives honorary degree from Muhlenberg College, with photo.

June 20, 1984, page 19, photo of the Rev. Will Herzfeld as first Black chief executive of a Lutheran Church Body in the U.S., the AELC.

June 20, 1984, page 22, Indiana-Kentucky Synod (convention story) wants quotas eliminated in new church.

June 20, 1984, page 23, North Carolina Synod Convention report references Nov. 3, 1979, incident in Greensboro, when five protesters, including one Lutheran, were killed by members

of the KKK. A resolution was passed condemning violence and supporting peaceful expression of differences.

June 20, 1984, page 23, South Carolina Synod in convention affirms inclusiveness but votes negatively on issue of new church quotas.

July, 1984, page 22a of Contact, SEPA Synod insert, Photo of Pastor Evangelist Jim Capers saying in remarks, "The church needs to develop a burden for witness."

Same page story "ABL motion on quotas."

July, 1984, page 36 "People". Photo of Mark Ty Purvis of First English, Baltimore. He led a workshop during the National Conference for the Diaconate. He is identified as a vicar/deacon in the Order of St. Stephen.

August 1984 (forgot to include page number). In part of a story focusing on the thoughts and experiences of first-time voting members to an LCA assembly, Beverly Conway, St. Stephen, Chicago, describes her disappointing reaction to the assembly's having voted to reduce quotas percentage from 20 percent to 10 percent.

August 1984, page 32, "People", Tommy Thurman of Salem, Fremont, Neb., sets high school record in the high jump. He will attend the University of Nebraska on scholarship.

August 1984, page 36, Goals adopted to end racism at LCA Convention. The assembly approved "Inclusiveness and Diversity as Gifts of God." It lists 52 commitments and 13 goals to make the church more racially inclusive. The action is a followup to Goals and Plans for Minority Ministry 1978-84. The page includes a photo of Jim Capers being named to the Board of Evangelical Outreach.

Sept. 5, 1984, page 18a of SEPA Synod insert Contact, photo of Sarah Pye-Ross, delegate to LCA assembly.

Oct. 3, 1984, page 21, photo of the Rev. Callon Holloway, part of report of CNLC.

Oct. 17, page 19, Herzfeld takes AELC helm.

Nov. 7, cover story, by Mark Staples, Invaded by Strangers, a story describing the challenges facing churches in Los Angeles regarding increasing diversity. To this day the author sincerely regrets title choice of language.

Nov. 21, 1984, page 17, photo of Bishops Crumley, Preus and Herzfeld together.

Nov. 21, 1984, page 22, Carthage (college) hears concerns of Black students. Major point is students describing leaving home communities to attend a mostly white college campus.

Same page, Lutheran Student Movement opposes racism.

December 1984, pages 17-19, Bishop of Color by Dan Cattau, feature about Bishop Will Herzfeld.

December 1984, page 57, photo of Rev. Callon Holloway as part of special CNLC report.

1985

“People” section, page 28, Feb. 20, 1985, issue: Ruth Moore, Augustana, Washington, D.C., acknowledged as first Black American to receive a Doctorate in Microbiology from a U.S. School, Ohio State.

March 6, 1985: Photo of George Edwards, Trinity, Philadelphia (Germantown) parish administrator, page 18A (synod insert) part of article on homelessness ministry.

March 6, 1985, page 20, LCA pastor seeks school integration, page 20, report about Pastor Alan Wicks.

March 6, 1985, page 25, U.S. Lutherans call for *apartheid* end, arrests made.

April 3, 1985, CNLC report #5, page 35, photo of CNLC Secretary Loretta Walker from Nicoma Park, Oklahoma.

Same report, page 41, Will Herzfeld photo with CNLC newest member Geneva Fitts of Macon, NC. Geneva also appears in CNLC report #6, Nov. 6, 1985. (forgot to include page number).

June issue 1985, pages 20, 21, ALC Bishop Nelson Trout of ALC’s South Pacific District, addresses Rocky Mountain Synod convention (photo).

Same issue in “People” section, Dr. Alonzo A. Crim, Redeemer, Atlanta receives Big Heart Award (photo). He is superintendent of Atlanta’s Public Schools.

July 1985, pages 4-7. Improving Our Tradition, story by Gordon Lathrop, features great multicultural photo of the Lutherans of Christ the King, Kendall Park, NJ.

July 1985, page 22C (synod insert), Minorities Have Much to Offer, story about work of Susan Toms, Muhlenberg College recruiter and assistant to the Dean of Admissions. (No indication she is Lutheran).

August 1985, page 34, “People”: Goldie Royal of Redeemer, Tacoma, WA, a vocational school instructor, appointed to a statewide Committee for Offenders. (photo)

Same issue, page 35, Tracy A. Williams, Immanuel, Detroit, spends summer in volunteer ministry (photo).

Page 28, "People": Vincent Carl Smith, assistant to the pastor, Redeemer, Toledo, OH, and the Rev. Richard Wallace, St. Philip, Oakland, CA, named correspondents to *The Lutheran* for minority concerns.

Nov. 6, 1985, page 25, Iowans discuss need for inclusion, photo of Dr. Massie Kennard.

Nov. 20, 1985, page 34, Rolondo L. Solon, Holy Trinity, Elkins, WVA, named correspondent for *The Lutheran* on minority concerns (photo).

Same issue, "People": Shawna Olson, Gustaf Adolph, Gwinner, N.D., competed in finals of Hershey (PA) National Track and Field Youth Program (photo).

1986

January 1, page 18C insert) Sister Cecelia Wilson assigned to internship in the Virgin Islands (with Dr. Stewart).

Same page, story on African art available.

Same page, story on ABL Philadelphia active in advocacy, Phyllis James is president of the chapter.

Same page, Re-formation, a poem by Ramona Carroll dedicated to Dr. King.

January 1, page 21, Black Lutherans plan for new church, a conference led by Dr. Rudolph Featherstone, Trinity Seminary professor. Pastor Callon Holloway mentioned. Shirley Pickett is president, James Capers vice president, Carolyn Baker Brown is secretary, Emma Graeber is treasurer. Harambe One in Christ is conference name. Rosemary Dyson wrote the story.

January 15, page 11, first of five-part series by Pastor Mike Cobbler entitled One Blood, Many Colors, focusing on Black history. First episode entitled Black Lutheran Beginnings. Noted is Zion Lutheran Church, Oldwick, NJ. Constructed 1749-50, founded in 1714 in the home of the van Guinees, a Black Lutheran family.

January 15, page 23, Camp helps remove biases. Photo shows Black culture clearly represented.

Jan. 15, page 28, "People": Dr. Joseph Malone, Advent, Cleveland, named Counselor of the Year by Ohio College Counselors (photo).

Feb. 5, page 15, Mike Cobbler episode 2, One Blood Many Colors, focuses on early Black leaders, Jehu Jones, Boston Jenkins Drayton and Daniel Alexander Payne.

Page 16, Kidbits column for children, features a short essay on Frederick Douglass by Glory Udobot, 10, a member of Augustana in DC. Photo of Glory included.

Feb. 19, page 11, Mike Cobbler, episode 3, Subtitle, Black Lutherans, Indoctrination and Education. About the Synodical Conference of which LC-MS was a major partner. Pete Pero and Will Herzfeld are referenced. Dr. Rosa Young is alluded to as a leader of Christian Day Schools.

Same issue page 17, Will Herzfeld shown in photo offering Communion to Jim Crumley during Bishops Conference on the costs to start the new church.

Same issue, page 21, Services mark King observance.

Same issue, page 21, photo involving leaders/members of Bethel, Chicago.

March 5, page 9, Mike Cobbler's episode 5: Black Lutherans develop own identities, featuring art depicting the Rev. David James Koontz.

Same issue, page 18E: Photo of Jim Echols connected to story on One in Mission campaign.

Same issue, page 26, story with photo of Craig Lewis being named chaplain for the Biennial Assembly set for Milwaukee. He is LCA's Director for Theological Education in the denomination's Division for Professional Leadership.

March 19, page 11, Mike Cobbler's episode 5, Black Lutherans Gifts and Hopes for the church. His column focuses on key leaders of the day.

Same issue, page 18 CNLC affirms quotas. This story is one of many focusing on the manner in reports of the CNLC and in other places. The issue fosters much discussion overall. I haven't singled out every reference.

Same issue, page 20, part of a column called "Worldscan" references briefly five Black ministry challenges.

April 2, pages 38-42 CNLC report features a large photo of CNLC participants featuring Will Herzfeld and a number of other Black leaders.

Same issue, page 49, Pastor Callon Holloway at microphone addressing CNLC (photo).

May 21, photo of Deborah Bagby of Emmanuel, Atlanta, singing at the Southeastern Synod convention (I forgot to reference the page number.)

Same issue, page 23, Southern District of the ALC asks CNLC for clarity and renewed attention toward increased involvement in ministry and mission with minority people. (Note: Both magazines were beginning to report on each other's concerns as the merger approached.) Same issue, same page, Iowa District of the ALC endorses CNLC quotas.

May 7, page 28, "People": James Scott of St. John, Summit, NJ, appointed treasurer at Amherst College. He is also on the LCA's Board of Publication. (Note: Jim subsequently chaired the LTSP Board and was active in the seminary's planning when I served on the staff.)

June 4, pages 4 thru 9 is a major feature on Lutherans in the Defense Industry. The pages featured theological reflections by Foster McCurley and four profiles of industry leaders of faith expressing points of view. **Of interest to us is a page 8 profile of Bob Edwards, who served on the Council of Christ the King, San Leandro, CA, and was an executive at Livermore Laboratories. This profile by author Judith Pence well documents the thoughtful ideas of Edwards and should be part of the history for sure.**

June 18, DPL's Craig Lewis addresses evangelism to Upstate NY Assembly.

June 18, page 30, "People": Andrea Davis, 9, Lake Park, Milwaukee, takes first place in the compulsory figure skating, 2nd place in freeskating during the Wisconsin-Illinois-Michigan Skating competition (photo).

July 1986, page 27, Nelson Trout is keynoter at the Southeastern PA Synod Convention (photo).

August 1986, cover story and pages 4-6, Mona Fitch's changing neighborhood. She is a member of St. Matthew, Jersey City.

Sept. 3, pages 4-7 Meeting a Gnawing Need, story on hunger. Photo features Tommysena Head waiting on a customer at the LSS Central Ohio thrift Store. It is not clear that Tommysena is a Lutheran.

Sept. 17, page 23, As part of a report on the new church, the Rev. Viviane Thomas Breiteld of Milwaukee is shown getting ready to speak.

Same issue, page 36, "People": Sharon Dear of Redeemer, Tacoma, WA, is chosen Afro Queen by the local chapter of the NAACP. She is a student at Washington State.

Oct. 15, page 22, Baltimore program promotes unity, features multicultural photo of youth from Augsburg, Baltimore.

Nov. 5, page 8, feature entitled Publisher meets the preacher. Story of the relationship between Pastor Will Herzfeld of Bethlehem Church in Oakland, and Robert Maynard, who as publisher revitalized the *Oakland Tribune*. The story in part relates how Maynard joined the congregation.

Same issue, page 21, Black Lutherans meet in Zimbabwe/ photo. The story makes clear the leadership of Pete Pero, Jim Echols, Rudolph Featherstone, Richard Perry, Craig Lewis and Cheryl Stewart.

Same issue, page 24, Massie Kennard dies (photo).