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## Book Review: *At Home in the House of My Fathers*

Matthew C. Harrison, *At Home in the House of My Fathers*,  
Lutheran Legacy, 2009, 826 pp. Hardback.

This book is a compilation of English translations, mostly by Rev. Harrison and with his annotations, of "Presidential Sermons, Essays, Letters, and Addresses from the Missouri Synod's Great Era of Unity and Growth." This was the period of C. F. W. Walther, Friedrich Wyneken, H. C. Schwan, Franz Pieper, and Friedrich Pfothenhauer, which covered approximately the first century of Synod's existence.

As stated in the *Foreword* by Dr. Lawrence R. Rast, Jr., concerning the writings of these leaders, Rev. Harrison has enabled the reader to "appreciate the depth of their commitment to the Gospel of Christ" echoed in the "biblical witness and our Lutheran Confessions." While the *depth* of that commitment echoed in these writings covers a wide area of theology and practice, it is the purpose of this reviewer to consider a particular segment of that area, namely, the Christian day school and catechesis as understood and appreciated by these leaders.

Historically, the Christian day school has been an important mission sphere of the Missouri Synod. The founders of the Missouri Synod and its early member congregations placed a strong emphasis on the Christian day school, which carried well into the first half of the twentieth century. This emphasis is again brought to the reader in the writings translated in this significant volume by Rev. Harrison. Concern has been voiced in these writings which makes it imperative that we listen to and heed the advice they express, for "What is the past is prologue." (Shakespeare, *The Tempest*, Act 3)

These are some of the relevant "nuggets" this reviewer found in reading through the translations in Harrison's work. First, in "The Trip Report of the Visit of Walther and Wyneken to Germany in 1851," Walther reports on their joint concern with Pastor Loehe for "competent schoolteachers" and that Loehe "approached us right away with a plan for the construction of an institution for the education of schoolteachers among us..." (p. 90). Then in an historic essay in 1879 on "The Duties of an Evangelical Lutheran Synod," Walther emphasized the need for "good *catechisms* and *readers* " for the schools, "thereby

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Dr. Franz Pieper

allowing every child to grow to full maturity in the knowledge of Christ" (p. 307). In an 1857 Synodical Address, Wyneken also emphasized the "importance of catechization" and that the "larger dioceses need to establish more schools. Until this is done, the execution of both the preaching office and the office of teacher will continue in a half-baked fashion" (p. 404-05).

H. C. Schwan likewise was a strong advocate of the Christian day school. In an address to the Central District in 1862, he specifically called attention to the need to deal with "the relation of a Christian-minded schoolteacher with his students and also with his congregation and its pastor." He said: "Indeed, who may deny that under certain circumstances, the office of schoolteacher can accomplish as much or more for the kingdom of God than the very preaching office itself!" (p. 483-4). Later, at a time when the parochial schools were under attack by laws introduced by secular society, Schwan said that we need to oppose these "inimical attacks on our parochial schools" and "oppose by legal means every law that we consider unconstitutional, unjust, or unnecessary" concerning our schools (p. 545-6). Schwan also took a strong stand for the "great blessing" of *Christenlehre* (catechetical instruction of children). He asked "Why is *Christenlehre* not better attended? Is it perhaps not appealing because it appears to be unnecessary? . . . But what other means would we have then but the teaching, chastening, encouraging Word? . . . God be praised, in which the clear catechism is held in due honor" (p. 484).

Dr. Franz Pieper, who was Dr. Walther's heir-apparent and successor as president of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, and the fourth president of the Missouri Synod, agreed with Walther, whom he quoted in a paper "On Unity in the Faith" presented to a meeting of the Synodical Conference in 1888. He said that with respect to the teaching foundation already begun at home to "understand pure doctrine against any influence of false doctrine,... Your schoolteachers must truly advance this work of the home in your schools" (p. 597). Pieper further demonstrated

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his staunch advocacy of the training of teachers and students in a sermon delivered in 1905, "Why Should We Very Faithfully Support Our Synodical Teaching Institutions?" He said "Were we not to faithfully support our institutions by sending students and through ongoing gifts, we would bind the hands of God so that He could not give us the necessary workers for the harvest.... If we want to exercise true mercy to our children and descendants, we must train teachers and preachers of the Gospel for them.... if they [parents] have done what they could to provide their children with God's Word through Christian teachers and preachers, they have made the right kind of decision" (p. 623-4).

The last of the five Presidents considered in Rev. Harrison's work, Dr. Friedrich Pfothenhauer, was one of the staunchest advocates of the Christian day school system in the Missouri Synod. Thus, in 1895, while still President of the Minnesota and Dakota District, he warned his listeners in a Mission Address that "Where congregational schools fail, the Church of God will quickly die out. ... But unfortunately, we [in his District] have only a few congregations in which a particular person is called to tend this well for children. In most cases, our pastors must also conduct school" (p.709). And two years later in 1897 he again warned them that "While we are richer in earthly things than our fathers, we are weaker in faith and Christian love. This becomes evident in our district in the way we fail to support our schools" (p. 714). In his 1901 address to the district, he implored that "Our teachers should work toward the goal of sending many young men to the seminary" (p. 727).

After he was elected president of the Missouri Synod, Dr. Pfothenhauer worked assiduously to strengthen Synod's mission of its teaching institutions, by giving full support to relocation of the teachers college from Addison to River Forest, Illinois, in 1913, and then to the convention resolution in 1914 to establish a General School Board. In his address to the 1917 Delegate Convention, he reminded the delegates that "There has been a loss in the earnestness and the decisiveness in confession, in the desire and love for God's Word, in the advocacy of doctrine, and in basic schooling of the youth in catechism instruction, and in the Christian life of sanctification" (p. 761). At the 1920 Delegate Convention he again emphasized that among the "very great and important matters for consideration" was the "building up of our teaching institutions" (p. 765), an emphasis that he repeated in his address to the 1929 Delegate Convention, when he said that "Of special importance at this convention will be our deliberations on matters of elementary and higher education..." (p. 775).

After he retired from the office of Synod President, Dr. Pfothenhauer did not let up on his admonition by pointing out in 1936 that "Once-flourishing parish schools are shrinking, in many cases without due cause. Many are satisfied with Sunday School and inadequate confirmation instruction instead of every possible effort to have Christian schools" (p. 795), and in 1937 that "In our schools our children are directed to Jesus, the great Friend of children. Souls are cared for and consciences counseled with the inerrant Word of God" (p. 802).

When is the last time you heard such staunch and consistent advocacy for the training of our youth in our Christian day

school system and the support of our teaching institutions? Rev. Harrison is to be commended for bringing these and other priceless and timeless teachings to our attention.

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## A God Given Opportunity

What has been called by some the "conservative movement" in The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) began in the early 1960's and continued to have significant influence in the LCMS through the mid-1980's. Its most prominent "successes" were the election in 1969 of Rev. Dr. J.A. O. Preus as synodical president; the appointment of a special Fact Finding Committee to investigate serious doctrinal concerns at Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, which led to the famous "Blue Book"; the very decisive action of the synodical convention in 1973 at New Orleans in adopting "A Statement of Scriptural and Confessional Principles"; the adoption at the same convention of Resolution 3-09 clearly stating certain matters were false doctrine not to be tolerated in the church of God; the removal in 1974 of Dr. John Tietjen as seminary president; the termination in 1974 of the majority of the St. Louis seminary faculty after they refused to perform their duties under their calls; and the removal in 1976 of four district presidents who had approved the ordination of Seminex graduates. There were other "successes" that received less notice over the years.

In spite of these successes, which were unprecedented in the history of American Protestantism, many people were unhappy with the results. They believed that a "purge" of ALL false teachers and compromising pastors was neces-

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sary in order to assure that the church would remain on its Biblical foundations for generations to come. Many of Dr. J. A. O. Preus' supporters were disappointed with his stance at the 1969 convention. But the full story is not often told. When Resolution 3-15 "To Declare Altar and Pulpit Fellowship with The American Lutheran Church" was before the floor "[Preus] voiced concern particularly for the doctrine of the Word of God, saying he favored a delay to give opportunity for further study of this subject....[he] called upon delegates to vote their conscience and promised to abide by the decision of [the Convention]." (*LCMS*

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*Convention Proceedings 1969*, pp. 98-99). Fellowship was approved by a vote of 522-438. Later in that convention, Dr. Preus was elected Synodical President. Ultimately ALC Fellowship was terminated when its true nature was understood by the synod.

Truth be told, the conservative movement did have a mixed result. But this was not due to its leaders or its most prominent supporters. It was due to three things. First, the "renewal" effort in the LCMS was contrary to the general direction of morality and culture in American society. Second, the structure of the LCMS traditionally had a degree of "ballast" which inhibited large-scale changes in a short period of time. Third, once Preus was elected and the seminary faculty departed, a good deal of apathy set in among the "rank and file" pastors and laymen. Too many were—understandably—wearied and worn out by the battle for the Word, although everyone knew that Satan must be faced and fought daily. Most went back to their individual, parochial concerns and let elected officers, boards and committees handle the daily battles as best as they could.

The election of Harrison in 2010 on a conservative plank brings back memories of 1969. Although Harrison and the other conservative elections had impressive numbers, the danger now is that the "rank and file" will go back to their individual parochial concerns and let elected officers, boards and committees handle the rest. Apathy may be more likely today since the threat is less obvious than the false doctrine of the earlier era. At New Orleans in 1973, the Missouri Synod clearly set out the mortal danger of false doctrine and stated that it was not to be tolerated in the church of God.

Perhaps the biggest threat to our Synod today is the "church growth" lie: "You have to imitate the 'successful' churches or die because you are declining statistically." This lie has the same potential for greatly harming Lutheran theology and practice as did the rhetoric in Germany in the early 17th century: "You have to join the Reformed or die, because the Catholics will kill you"; the early 19th century: "You have to join the Union Church or die, because the French or other atheists will kill you"; and the early 20th century: "You have to join the Nazis or die, because the communists will kill you." While the Lutheran church

has been sorely tried many times as Scripture foretells, it has also, by the grace of God, been renewed many times because Lutheran doctrine and practice teaches the Bible correctly and administers the Sacraments rightly.

Are we on the road to recovery of this true biblical teaching and practice, or will "Harrison in 2010" be a squandered opportunity? **Your commitment, or lack thereof, to the cause of true biblical teaching and practice governed by the Lutheran Confessions, will largely determine that future.** Therefore, we must daily pray for those in authority in our Synod, institute good catechesis wherever it is lacking, keep fully engaged and informed, and very publicly encourage and support our officers, committees, and boards to be faithful to God, so that we may rightly be "At Home in the House of Our Fathers."

"Watch against the devil's snares, lest asleep he find you;  
For indeed no pains he spares to deceive and blind you.  
Satan's prey oft are they who secure are sleeping;  
And no watch are keeping."

[Johann Freystein, d. 1718; *Rise, My Soul, To Watch and Pray*, LSB 663 v.3]

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## **An "Alice in Wonderland" Happening**

Even though I had been a visitor at a previous convention, I was overwhelmed as a first-time voting delegate at our National LCMS Convention this past July in Houston! Much like "Alice" I must have looked like I didn't know what was happening and how did I ever get here? Strangers all around, a convention hall cold enough to hang meat, other delegates walking around with purpose and seeming knowledge!

Then came the opening worship service. Ah-ha! I've been going to a Lutheran church all my life – here I would receive God's abundant gifts, here I would be blessed, here I would be "at home." What happened? Where was the beautiful organ prelude? Where were the chorals? Where was the reverence? Where was the rich heritage of the music of traditional Lutheran hymns and worship? Perhaps

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I was too naïve and overwhelmed to notice it. Perhaps the volume of the praise band and the sight of the waving “flags” in the procession clouded my sight.

And why were grown men waving their hands and swaying to the sounds of the band? Was I really at the beginning of a Divine Service? I soon sadly realized that this was what is called “contemporary worship,” the way a “Divine Service” is interpreted by some folks. What a “not-with-it” stodgy person I was!

Be that as it was, the convention began in earnest on Sunday morning (when I kept thinking that I ought to be in church) with the “Today’s Business” for Sunday. Each day had its own “Today’s Business” which I soon was able to manage and coordinate.

### **Happenings:**

The main business of the first two days was the proposal of Floor Committee #8 which consisted of massive structural changes in our Synod’s Governance. This resolution (8-08A) passed by the narrow margin of 51.9 to 48.1 percent, but not without some change. This resolution gives much more authority to the President of the Synod by eliminating programmatic boards such as the Board for Pastoral Education, Communication Services, Human Care Ministries, District and Congregational Services, and Mission Services.

The Board for National Mission and the Board for International Mission were created with board members elected by the Convention and the Chief Mission Officer (CMO) appointed by the Synodical President “...with the mutual concurrence of the Board of Directors.” Staffs of each new Mission report to the CMO who is accountable to the President of the Synod. The Boards of each new Mission have oversight of implementation of policies developed by each such board “...while the President of the Synod will be responsible for supervising the implementation of mission board policies in accordance with his responsibilities...[under the Constitution and Bylaws].” Many delegates were concerned that this places too much authority in the Synodical President.

By a vote of 1,133 to 35, the delegates adopted Resolution 3-01A which affirms our serious concern with the recent (2009) Evangelical Lutheran Church in America’s (ELCA) acceptance of practicing homosexual male and female pastors.

I did notice that more than once when a resolution to amend the by-laws was questioned by delegates it was referred to the Committee on Constitutional Matters (CCM) for an instantaneous ruling, thereby stopping any debate or further consideration by the delegates.

### **Some Things, Which Did Not Happen:**

On the other hand, the resolution, which would have begun the process for changing our name, was allowed to “die” in committee.

Other resolutions which were declined or allowed to “die” included: giving priority to Circuit and District Overtures, changing the National and District conventions from a

three to four year cycle, changing the number of delegates at National Conventions, giving greater voting representation to large congregations, and changing language to allow a woman to serve as president in our University System (thereby having her oversee the spiritual care of faculty and students).

It was comforting to see that at least eleven resolutions proposing to amend our by-laws or constitution were declined, withdrawn by the floor committee, or allowed to “die.”

An overture, which the floor committee declined to bring forth as a resolution, was that new churches include “Lutheran” in their name. There are new churches being started by LCMS with names without the word “Lutheran.”

- Pointe of Hope Church, Blue Springs, MO (<http://www.pointeofhope.org/>)
- The Alley, Cottage Grove, MN (<http://www.thealley.org/>)
- Jefferson Hills, Imperial, MO (<http://jhchurch.org/#/home>)

### **Other Things, Which Did Happen:**

A standing ovation was given to the wonderful news that the government authorities in Hanoi, Vietnam, have given us, the LCMS, permission to start a school in Hanoi, Vietnam, for expatriate and local students. This will be the first Lutheran and Christian school in Vietnam.

Worshipping with 1,200+ fellow Lutherans was a blessing, especially when singing our Lutheran Hymns with beautiful organ music filling the hall.

President Elect Harrison assured us that the “clear and compelling Word of God, mercy, and compassion” will be key as he leads our Synod.

Despite the myriad of reading and studying, as well as late night discussions during the convention, I was delighted to serve as a lay-delegate to this 2010 Convention. I learned much and found many answers, however, I still wonder - where was the White Rabbit?

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(More convention information can be found in *The Lutheran Witness*, August 2010, the *Reporter*, August 2010, at [www.lcms.org/reporter](http://www.lcms.org/reporter) and [www.lcms.org/convention](http://www.lcms.org/convention)).

## **Coming Soon!**

### **January 17, 2011 - LCA Annual Conference and Annual Meeting**

Plans are finalized for the LCA annual conference. Presentations will be given on some adopted Convention resolutions and the impact they may have on Synod’s members, entities and congregations. Other presentations include the need for catechesis in the Synod, updates on Seminary matters and the Synod’s National Youth Gathering.

**Seminary Students, Faculty and Staff** will have registration fees waived but to receive lunch at a cost of \$5.00, registration MUST be received no later than January 10, 2011.

The Board of Directors of LCA has set the LCA Annual Meeting for January 17, 2011, at 5:45pm at Don Hall’s Guest House, Ft. Wayne, IN. Members who have paid their 2011 membership by that date will be entitled to vote. A formal notice of the Annual Meeting will be mailed.

## Celebrating Ten Years of Higher Things

In late 1998, several young LCMS pastors sought to put on a regionally minded and cost effective conference for youth that was designed to be uniquely and unashamedly Lutheran. By the grace of God, and the labor of love of many volunteers, in July 2000, the *Dying to Live National Lutheran Youth Conference*, sponsored by the Wyoming District of the LCMS, was held on the campus of the University of Wyoming in Laramie.

Over 700 youth and adults from some 25 states gathered for what was for all intents and purposes the first Higher Things Conference. From the sound of the trumpet at the first hymn, "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God," to the catechetical focus of the plenary sessions, and the mountain hiking and PRCA (Professional Rodeo Cowboy Association) rodeo, that conference served as a catalyst for the now often heard Higher Things motto: "Make worship - real worship; study - real study; and fun - real fun!"

The name Higher Things was chosen for the emerging group because it encompassed the focus that those involved desired for the young people of our church.

*"If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth."* (Colossians 3:1-2 NKJV)

Higher Things officially incorporated in 2001 and the first issue of the magazine was soon released. Many other resources have followed including Bible Studies, devotional Reflections, engaging retreats, cutting edge web based resources, and a new radio podcast. Higher Things also developed a campus ministry arm, Christ on Campus, to

help young people remain rooted in Higher Things while at college.

While Higher Things has engaged in many activities related to youth ministry over the last decade, its annual summer conferences have always remained its heartbeat. To this day, the overwhelming highlight for nearly every attendee is the opportunity to gather together to pray the church's prayer offices, sing her songs, and receive Christ's gifts. That is as it should be.

Today Higher Things is a lot of things, all of which seek to keep young people focused on Christ and His gifts as they grow and mature in their faith and "Dare to be Lutheran." It is parents seeking to teach their youth the Catechism. It is youth workers and volunteers seeking to reinforce that which is preached from their congregation's pulpits and confessed in their pews. And yes, it is pastors wanting to keep their Lutheran sheep Lutheran as they grow up. As the first LCMS President, Dr. C.F.W. Walther said:

"The preacher should care in a heartfelt way for the confirmed youth in his congregation; be serious about this group of Christ's sheep, who stand in special danger; and keep a watchful eye on them."

While many dedicated people have been involved in Higher Things over the last decade and many more will be in the years to come, one thing will always remain a constant, namely the desire and dedication to put the Gospel into the ears of young people.

To learn more about Higher Things and how you can support this important work, please visit <http://higherthings.org>.

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## LUTHERAN CONCERNS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE

### Monday, January 17, 2011

The Lutheran Concerns Association extends a cordial invitation to all LCMS Congregants to attend the LCA Annual Conference. We look forward to meeting you and working together to make the LCMS a faithful and strong voice for Evangelical Lutherans.

The conference will be held at Don Hall's Guest House. They have a special rate of **\$79.00** + taxes for a single; **\$89** + taxes for 2-4 per room. When making your reservation, mention that you are attending **THE LUTHERAN CONCERNS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE, CODE: GROUP #6161**. There is free airport shuttle service from the airport to Don Hall's. At the time of check-in, coupons will be given for a free breakfast to each guest. The maximum dinner coupons given to guests of 2 or more per room is a total of 2 dinner coupons per room. A free lunch will be served in the meeting room. **Registration for the free lunch MUST BE RECEIVED by January 10, 2011.** You must make your own Guest House reservation; **to get the special room rate, reservations must be made by January 10, 2011.**

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### LCA CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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**January 17, 2011**, will be the day to get an early insight on some resolutions adopted at the Houston Convention as well as an update on Seminary matters and the need for catechesis in the Synod.

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| <b>6:40 AM</b> - Registration  |   |
| <b>7:00 AM</b> - Bible Study   | Rev. Peter Bender   |
| <b>8:30 AM</b> - Devotions   | Rev. Dr. Robert Kuhn, Synod President, Emeritus                         |
| <b>8:45 AM</b> - Catechesis: What, Why & How   | Rev. Peter Bender   |
| <b>9:50 AM</b> - Synod Wide Study on Worship Practices, Res 2-05A  | Rev. Paul Strawn  |
| <b>10:40 AM</b> - Synod Wide Study on Conditions of Membership, Res 8-30B  | Rev. Dr. Martin Noland  |
| <b>11:30 AM</b>  | <b>Lunch Served in the Meeting Room</b>                                 |
| <b>12:30 PM</b> - Synod Wide Study on Relation of Synod to Its Members, Res 8-32B  | Rev. Dr. Martin Noland  |
| <b>1:20PM</b> - The New Structure of Synod   | Rev. Michael L. Kumm  |
| <b>2:25PM</b> - Seminary Matters   | Rev. Dr. William Weinrich (Ft. Wayne), Rev. Dr. David Adams (St. Louis) |
| <b>3:15PM</b> - Assuming Ourselves to Death: the Leavening Threat of Moralistic Therapeutic Deism and the LCMS [Ed. Note: National Youth Gathering.] | Rev. Jonathan Fisk  |
| <b>4:15PM</b> Wrap-up: Questions and Answers   |   |



### REGISTRATION FORM

Lutheran Concerns Association Annual Conference - January 17, 2011

**Annual LCA Membership: \$35**

I will attend the meeting:

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LCMS District

Annual membership fee (\$35) enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_.

2011 conference registration fee [for paid-up LCA members] (\$35) enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_.

Non-member conference registration fee (\$50): \_\_\_\_\_.

I will pay at the door: \_\_\_\_\_.

*A free lunch will again be served **early registrants** who pay the applicable registration fee whether in advance or at the door.*

**SEMINARY STUDENTS, FACULTY AND STAFF will have their registration fee waived, but to receive lunch at a cost of \$5.00, the registration MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER than January 10, 2011.**

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