

Heritage Center Foundation

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New Library Location: 120 North Main Street, Eureka, IL
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*This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord,
and their righteousness is of me, saith the Lord.*

ISAIAH 54:17

New Location for the Heritage Center

After nearly 15 years of being located in Fairbury, Illinois, the Heritage Center library has been moved into the FBFM building at 100 North Main Street in Eureka (see picture below). The library is open to visitors on weekdays from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm and by appointment on evenings or Saturdays. Call 309-242-1838 to schedule an appointment which can include a guided tour. The library is free of charge for all visitors. Our wish is that this location will prove a blessing and make it convenient for many more people to visit the library and learn of the heritage of the Samuel Froehlich churches.

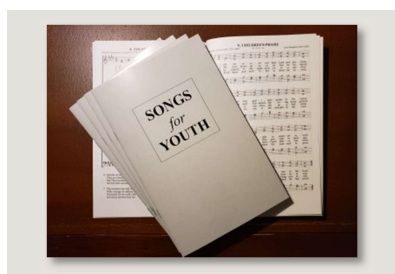
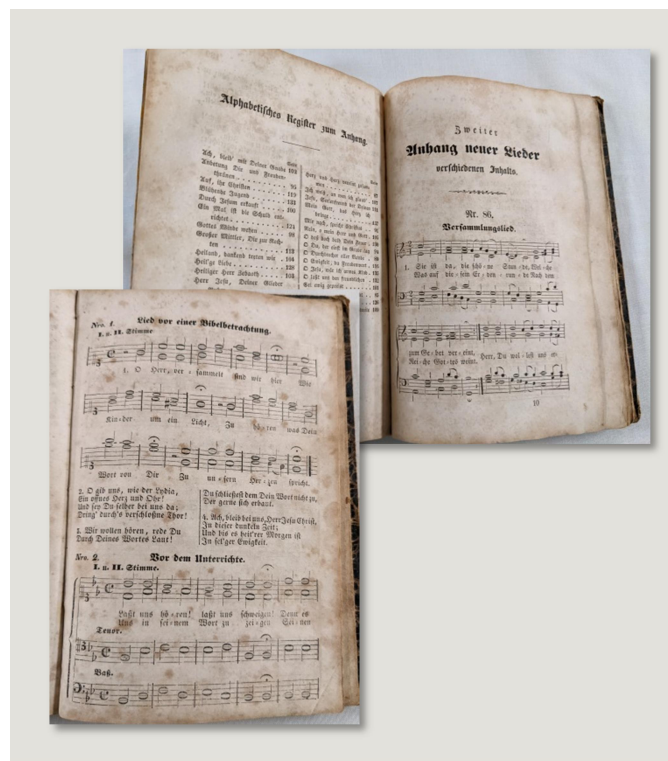


The Heritage Center Foundation wishes to sincerely thank the Fairview Haven Retirement Community for allowing us to use space in their facility for so many years. This made it possible for many people to enjoy the materials in our library at any time the nursing home was open to visitors.

Precursor to the *Zion's Harp* Donated

Recently an old hymnal was donated to the Heritage Center. Glancing inside it, we were excited to realize we had a hymnal used by Froehlich congregations that predates our beloved *Zion's Harp* hymnal! It is divided into multiple sections: one is the *Christliche Harmonica*, one is the *Lieder für Kinder*, and another includes various other songs we know from the *Zion's Harp*. A handwritten poem in the book is dated 1853.

A book detailing the history of the *Zion's Harp* and including historical information about the authors and composers of each hymn should be available by mid-December.



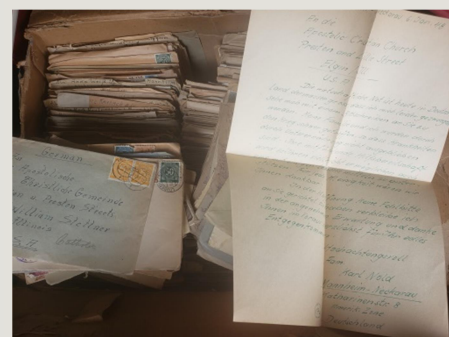
New *Songs for Youth* Hymnal

This hymnal includes the hymns from the *Lieder für Kinder* which was used as a source hymnal for our *Zion's Harp*. The 15 songs originally in this “Songs for Children” collection are relatively musically simple with words applicable even to young children. A few other songs from other hymnals of our heritage (the *Heft* and the *Alte Lieder*) have been added as well.

This hymnal should be available by fall and may be purchased for \$3 at the Heritage Center library, by contacting Heritage Press at (309) 249-6281 or heritagecenterfoundation@gmail.com, and at melttheheart.com.

DID YOU KNOW?

After World War II, our Elgin, IL, congregation received multitudes of letters from people in Europe asking for aid. In their explanations of why they needed help, many explained they had been in Russian captivity. Some mentioned they had heard of the church's generosity.



A Selection From History

The following words were spoken by Bro. Silas Leuthold from Princeville, IL, on January 16, 1960, at a funeral in West Bend, IA:

It is a depressing and deplorable thing to think, when we read the parables that Jesus Christ left for us, that even those who have lived in the world without a great spot of sin resting upon them, but just never concern themselves too much of complying with the way that God prescribed for eternal life. I believe that is the meaning of the ten virgins, five were wise and five were foolish. The wise virgin provided for her lamp the oil that was required that she might see and that she might give light unto others, but the foolish came empty handed. They had nothing to offer, and then the door was shut. Yet they were virgins; we read not of any sin they were involved in, but they were simply careless in going through life. And the Word of God is so clear and plain; it prescribes the way that we should walk. It is a way that is somewhat narrow; it has sometimes a steep hill or incline that we must climb; there are boulders and stones in the way, and often thorns that become somewhat a hindrance and a handicap. Yet if we faithfully walk, as we were reminded in the reading of the virtuous woman, who walked so faithfully and concerned herself that she might provide for her household faithfully and also for her salvation, that is what you and I shall want to have done when we meet our God at the end of life's journey.

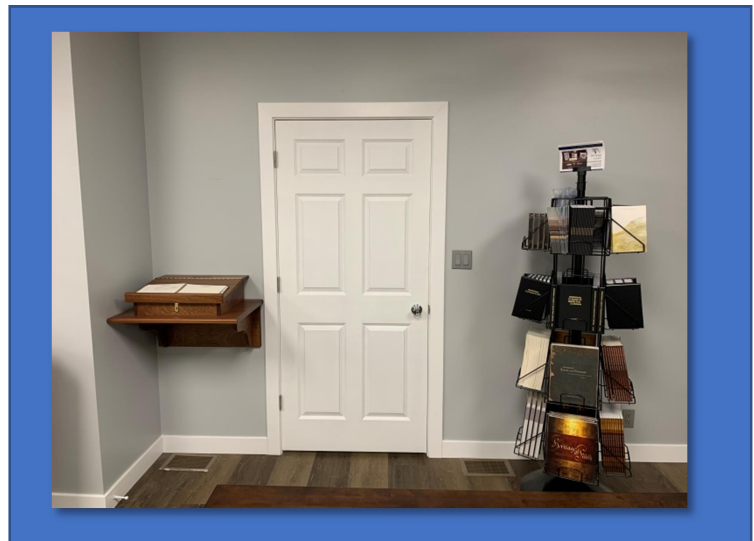
Have we kept faith? Have we sought the Lord and found Him? If so we have the assurance in our hearts, a living hope that no one can take from us. The Lord already gave us that assurance that Satan will not be able to rob us, neither will the thieves be able to break in and steal, neither moth or rust destroy it. It will be treasures in Heaven.

The Heritage Center library has a display of materials for sale in our new location. Stories of Faith and Courage, Froehlich writings, and much more are now available for purchase in the library. Please follow the directions listed above the wooden desk to complete your purchase.

Donations are welcome and necessary for our various projects to continue. Current needs are:

- Zion's Harp history book publishing
- Songs for Youth publishing
- Translation expenses
- Rent for the new building

Contributions should be sent to Heritage Center Foundation, P.O. Box 135, Eureka, IL 61530.



Please remember that no materials except those for sale on the rack in the picture are to be removed from the Heritage Center library.

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Children's Praise

Zion's Harp #165, verses 1 and 2

O, let us exalt our dear Lord and proclaim,
In songs of true gratitude, praise to His name!
As songs of the angels in sweetest accord,
Our thanks and our praises shall rise to the Lord.

His love shone upon us before we believed,
And when we were burdened, His loving heart grieved.
Our parents He gives us who provide in each day,
And teachers to show us the heavenly way.