



OUR LUTHERAN HERITAGE

1962 President Kretzmann started on the Inner City Peace Corps program. This program led to the development of the Prince of Peace Volunteer Program under the Board for Young People's Work in the Missouri Synod in 1965. This Program also gave impetus to the development of the Urban Studies Program in Chicago. 1963 Professor Richard W Schlemann was appointed University Preacher. Department of Religion was renamed to the Department of Theology 1964 The Rev. William Buege begins service as Dean of the Chapel. 1966 Christ College becomes the fifth college within the University. President Kretzmann's vision was that Christ College would " establish the relevance of Lutheran theology to the liberal arts in every area." Four key words: guided this unique honors college: honors, experimentation, integration, and involvement. President Kretzmann appointed Professor Richard P. Baepler, chairman of the Department of Theology, as Dean of Christ College. 1968 The Rev. Dr. Norman E Nagel became Dean of the Chapel. The College of Nursing opened in the fall of 1968, with an enrollment of fifty-five freshmen, achieving full accreditation with National League of Nursing in 1974. 1969 Dr. Albert G. Huegli was inaugurated as the fourth Lutheran president on September 10, 1969. The chapel was renamed the "Chapel of the Resurrection" on October 5, 1969. 1978 Dr. Robert V. Schnabel becomes the fifth Valparaiso University President. 1983 The first Light In Thy Light Lutheran youth retreat is held on campus. 1984 The first Lutheran High School Teachers of Religion Symposium is held on campus. 1985 The first Institute on Law and the Pastoral Ministry is held on campus. 1988 Rev. Alan Harre becomes the sixth Lutheran president. 1995 Valparaiso University receives a 4.5 million dollar gift from Oliver and Emma Allen to establish a scholarship program for church work students. Thirty-three "Allen Scholars" are currently on campus. The Valparaiso University Center for the Arts (VUCA) is dedicated and the music, art and theater programs expand dramatically. 2000 Seventy-fifth anniversary of Valpo's Lutheran founding celebrated with many varied events including a Founders Weekend and an Ethics Conference. 2001 University Guild prints the first University prayer book, "Our Hope for Years to Come". "Flame of Faith, Lamp of Learning: A History of Valparaiso University" by Dr. Richard Baepler is published.