

# REV. ERNST OTTO HENKELMANN

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Pastor Ernst O. Henkelmann, age 87 of Pigeon, passed away Sunday Oct. 13, 1991 at his home.

Rev. Henkelmann was born in Bryan, Ohio on Jan. 30, 1904, son of the late Rev. Frederick William & Mary (Thiel) Henkelmann, I. He graduated from Bryan High School in 1921; he then attended Wartburg College in Clinton, Iowa, graduating in 1926. In 1929 he received his Master of Divinity Degree from Wartburg Seminary in Dubuque, Iowa. On Aug. 18, 1929 he was ordained by his father at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Bryan, Ohio. He was united in marriage to Evelyn L. Westphal on May 23, 1939 at St. Martin Lutheran Church, Port Huron. Rev. Henkelmann was installed as pastor of the Cross Lutheran Church in Pigeon on Jan. 15, 1950. Since his retirement on Aug. 4, 1974, he has been an active member of the church, serving as a choir member and as teacher of a Bible class. Recently, he was named Pastor Emeritus of Cross Lutheran Church.

Survivors include his wife, Evelyn, of Pigeon; a daughter, Mrs. Alfred Karl (Ruth) Becker of Detroit; a son, Rev. Frederick (Raylene) Henkelmann of Linton, North Dakota; three grandchildren, Sarah, Matthew and Rachel; a sister, Mrs. Anna Hueter of Columbus, Ohio; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by a daughter, Lois Marie on Oct. 25, 1960; a sister, Justine Bodensieck; and two brothers, Karl Henkelmann & Frederick W. Henkelmann, II.

Funeral Services will be conducted at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 16 from the Cross Lutheran Church, Pigeon. Rev. Raymond E. Orth, pastor, will officiate with burial in the church cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made in his memory to the Cross Lutheran Church or to the Luther Home of Mercy, Williston, Ohio.

*Arrangements by the Meyersieck-Bussema Funeral Home, Pigeon, Michigan*