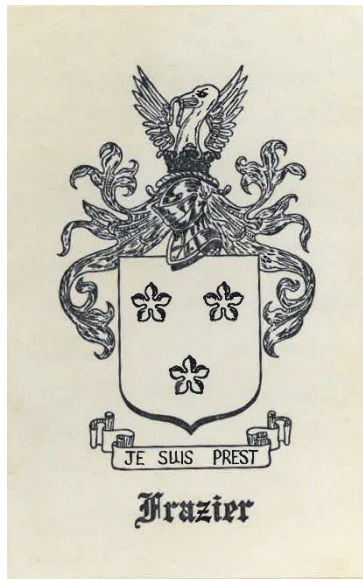


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Guide to MS-294:
The Sermons of Jeremiah Frazier, 1857-1885



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Size

3 boxes, 1.35 cu. ft.

Location

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Dates

1857-1885

Provenance

Gift of Dr. Chester North Frazier, 1967

Biographical Note

Jeremiah Frazier, born in Frederick, Maryland, in 1828, entered the Preparatory Department of Pennsylvania College in 1849, from the carpentry trade, and graduated with the Class of 1855. While in college, he was a member of the Phrenakosmian Literary and Debating Society. Following graduation, Frazier spent several years teaching while studying theology privately under the Rev. H. Bishop, Evangelical Lutheran Church, Emmittsburg, Maryland, and was licensed in 1859 by the Synod of Virginia.

He served as pastor at Middleway and Gerrardstown, West Virginia; Newry, Blair County, Pennsylvania, (1865-1868); Marklesburg, Huntington County, Pennsylvania (1868-1871); Cassville, Huntington County, Pennsylvania, (1871-1873); Blain, Perry County, Pennsylvania (1873-1881); and Portland, Jay County, Indiana (1881-1885). Jeremiah served on the Board of Directors of the Gettysburg Theological Seminary in 1876, representing the Central Pennsylvania Synod. He was the President of the first board of directors of the Orphans Home in Loysville, Perry County, Pennsylvania. He married Anna Mary Catherine Frazer (no relation) of Gettysburg, PA, in 1854 and raised eight children. Jeremiah died of typhoid fever, September 13, 1885.

Scope and Content Note

One hundred and thirty one manuscript sermons, bound into thirteen volumes by Frazier's grandson, Dr. Chester North Frazier. In addition to the churches for which he was pastor, Frazier also delivered his sermons in other churches and venues. The sermons and their dates listed below are in the order that Chester Frazier bound them, dating their first delivery to the best of his ability. However, it is clear from the notation of towns and dates on the backs of many of the sermons that Jeremiah reused them several times throughout the years. While mostly steering clear of politics in his sermons, Frazier's

Thanksgiving sermon in 1863 comments on President Lincoln's proclamation to set aside and observe the last Thursday of November as a day of thanksgiving, the progress of the war, traitors, liberty, the coming peace, and the better and happier days ahead.

Subjects

Frazier, Jeremiah, 1828-1885
Pennsylvania College – History
Sermons, American – 19th century
Lutheran Church -- Sermons

Box 1

Finding Aid and Research Materials

Vol. I.

July 4, 1857: The Nature of Christ's Kingdom and Qualifications It Requires in the Believer.
June 25, 1859: The Enmity of the Carnal Mind against God.
Sept. 25, 1859: Christians: the Salt of the Earth.
Oct. 16, 1859: Obligations in View of the Positive Precepts and Institutions of Religions.
Nov. 7, 1859: Man's Pride against God's Grace.
Dec., 1859: The Works of Redemption: its Character and Influence in the Sinner's Exaltation.
Dec. 25, 1859: The Fulfillment of Scriptures Prophecies in Reference to the Savior's Advent.
Jan. 2, 1860: Moses, guide of an Oppressed People
Jan. 29, 1860: The Parable of the Ten Pound.
Feb. 19, 1860: Religious Conversation.

Vol. II.

Mar. 7, 1860: Evidence of the Truth of the Christian Religion.
Mar. 11, 1860: Justification by Faith.
Apr. (Easter), 1860: The Influence of the Death and Resurrection of Our Savior upon the World.
Spring [sic] 29, 1860: The Conversion of Zaccheus.
May 27, 1860: Not Far from the Kingdom of God.
June 24, 1860: Repentance.
July 5, 1860: Unanswered Prayer
Sept. 16, 1860: Blind Bartimeus Restored by Christ.
Oct. 5, 1860: The Straight Gate.
Dec. 16, 1860: Coming to Christ.
Undated: The government of the Heart.

Vo. III.

- Jan. 2, 1861: Why Will Ye Die?
- Jan. 6, 1861: Christ at the Door.
- Jan 20, 1861: On the Proper Estimate of Human Life.
- Feb. 24, 1861: On the Union of Piety and Morality.
- Mar 24, 1861: Consolation in the Assurance that the Redeemer Liveth.
- Apr. 14, 1861: Repentance Delayed: A Dangerous Ground of Hope.
- May, 1861: What shall I Do to be Saved?
- May 5, 1861: Death, the Consequence of Sin.
- May 11, 1861: Rejoice in God our Savior.
- May 26, 1861: On the Compassion of Christ.
- July 9, 1861: Seeking the Lord so as to Find Him.

Vol. IV.

- July 11, 1861: True Religion, a Service.
- July 15, 1861: Tears at the Judgement.
- Sept. 8, 1861: On the Influence of Religion upon Adversity.
- Sept. 27, 1861: True Repentance.
- Nov. 23, 1861: The Condescension of God to Man.
- Dec. 1, 1861: if Any Man Thirst Let Him Come Unto Me.
- Dec. 12, 1861: The Blessedness of the True Believer.
- Jan. 12, 1862: That We Should Do the Good We Know.
- Jan. 26, 1862: The Wise Man Who Built His House on a Rock.
- Feb. 2, 1862: Freeness and Largeness of the Gospel Offer.
- Apr. 26, 1862: The Believer's Privilege.

Vol. V.

- May 24, 1862: Christ and His Believers Inseparable.
- Sept. 17, 1862: Certainty and Nature of the Resurrection.
- Mar. 2, 1863: The Merely Moral Man.
- Nov. 16, 1863: The Attractive Power of the Cross.
- Undated: A Funeral Sermon.
- Thanksgiving Day: An Address on Thanksgiving
- Undated: A Christmas Talk to Children.
- Jan. 14, 1864: The Christian Temper.
- June 7, 1864: The Important Choice.
- Undated: Except Ye Repent
- July 11, 1865: Nature, sinfulness, and Consequences of Unbelief.

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Vol. VI.

- Nov. 24, 1865: Precious Faith.
- Feb. 12, 1866: Justification by Faith.
- Aug. 5, 1866: Christ: the Way, the Truth, and the Life.
- Feb. 18, 1867: The Laborers Standing Idle at the Eleventh Hour.
- May 21, 1867: Christ: Precious to Believers.
- May 29, 1867: The Building of the Heavenly Temple.
- June 25, 1867: The Prayer of the Masses for a View of God.
- July 11, 1867: The Flowing of the Streams from Horeb.
- July 29, 1867: The Vicissitudes of Human Life.
- Sept. 16, 1867: Why Weepest Thou?
- Oct. 28, 1867: The Glorious Reformation.

Vol. VII.

- Mar. 24, 1868: The Peace of God Keeping the Heart.
- Apr. 2, 1868: Blessings of Sufferings of Christ.
- May 10, 1868: The Final Glory of the Church.
- July 29, 1868: Valedictory Address.
- Mar. 3, 1869: A Temperance Sermon.
- Apr. 1869: The Early Yoke of Christ.
- Aug. 21, 1869: An Address for Sunday School.
- June 29, 1870: Wisdom, Righteousness, Sanctification and Redemption Derived from Christ.
- Dec. 14, 1870: Standard of True Religion.
- May 10, 1871: A Funeral Sermon.
- June 12, 1871: Prove Your Own Works.

Vol. VIII.

- Aug. 2, 1871: Following the Lord Fully.
- Aug., 21, 1871: The Gracious Invitation.
- Sept. 3, 1871: The Parable of the Sower.
- Apr. 1872: Christian Character.
- July 22, 1872: Looking to Jesus.
- Aug. 15, 1872: The Certainty of Salvation.
- Sept. 27, 1872: The Blessedness of a Christian.
- Jan. 16, 1873: The Only foundation.
- Mar. 13, 1873: The Unbelief of the Samaritan Lord.
- Apr. 13, 1873: On the Mixture of Joy and Fear.
- July 18, 1873: The Redeemed Sinner: A Temple of God.

Vol. IX

- July 27, 1873: The End of Man's Earthly History.
- Jan. 27, 1874: Salvation of Faith that It Might be by Grace.
- July 28, 1874: Missionary Discourse.
- Aug 13, 1874: The Hope of Eternal Life.
- Sept. 14, 1874: Depart in Peace.
- Oct. 23, 1874: Funeral Sermon for a Child.
- Dec. 11, 1873: A Funeral Sermon
- Aug. 4, 1875: A Plague in the Wilderness.
- Apr. 6, 1876: The Message Sent to Paul in the Storm
- Aug. 5, 1876: The Wise Decision.
- Oct. 24, 1876: No Discharge in this War.

Vol. X

- Aug 14: 1877: Christ the Way to God and Heaven.
- May 28, 1878: The rock of Horeb.
- June, 1878: The Necessity of Preparation for Death.
- June 27, 1878: Pardoning Mercy.
- July 25, 1878: Christ a Savior
- Nov. 4, 1878: Universal Holiness.
- Feb. 10, 1879: The risen Jesus Questions Peter's Love
- Mar. 19, 1879: The Barren Fig Tree.
- July 15, 1879: Christ the Hope of Glory.
- Dec. 3, 1879: The Happiness of Being with Christ.

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Vol. XI

- Feb. 26, 1880: The Work of the Holy Spirit
- Mar. 17, 1880: The Love of Christ Constraineth Us.
- July 15, 1880: Hell and Heaven.
- July 1880: Funeral for a Child.
- July 19, 1880: The Nature, Spirituality and Use of the Law.
- Aug. 16, 1880: The Lord's Prayer.
- Nov. 9, 1880: Regeneration of the New Birth.
- Nov. 23, 1880: On the Lord's Day.
- Dec. 16, 1880: Prepare for Death.
- Dec. 24, 1880: The Spiritual Resurrection.
- Jan. 12, 1881: The Value of the Soul.

Vol. XII

- Jan. 26, 1881: The Conviction of Sin.
Feb. 9, 1881: The Knowledge of Christ.
Mar. 28, 1881: Death and Judgment.
June 23, 1881: Lot's Deliverance.
Aug. 9, 1882: The Danger of Formality and Hypocrisy.
July 3, 1883: Vain Excuses.
July 16, 1883: The Stream from the Rock of Horeb.
July 31, 1883: The Cities of Refuge.
Aug. 19, 1883: The Superintendent.
July 15, 1885: Peace through Conflict.

Vol. XIII

- July 15, 1885: Peace through Conflict, Being the Last Sermon of Jeremiah Frazier, Portland, Jay County, Indiana. Photocopy with transcript.

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