

The Giddings News

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Pipe Organ Dedicated

The Immanuel Lutheran church of Giddings dedicated the newly installed pipe organ Sunday. Services were held during the morning, the afternoon and at night. The last service was in the nature of an organ recital by Prof. Borlach and Prof. Wilkening of Austin when many classical renditions were played. The sermon was preached in English by Rev. Manz of Austin. A large crowd of visitors from other churches and from other towns was present Sunday.

With the dedication of the organ, the church celebrated its 40th anniversary. The church was organized by Rev. G. Buschacher, May 13, 1883. The first Lutheran services in Giddings were conducted by pastors A. D. Greibe and C. L. Geyer about 1875. Succeeding Rev. Buschacher, there were pastors Cholcher, Wolfram, Ernst, Kuschke, Moerbe and the present pastor Rev. G. W. Fischer. A school in connection with the church has been maintained since the organization of the church. It now has two teachers Prof. Dube and Miss Lammert. Former teachers were Profs. Wings and Griebel.