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Design for the Chancel Window, Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church, Hartford, Connecticut.

This entire window is conceived, in terms of color and light, as a symbol of Redemption through Our Lord.

The central dominant figure recresents the Risen and Clorified Christ, with the flasing keys of Hall and Death (Revolution I:18). The keys suggest in traditional color symbolism, the violet of Death and the flasing orange of Hell. Our Lord is robed in ruby and white - the colors of divine love and purity. It his right hand are the seven stars which symbolism the angels of the seven Churches. He boars the stigmats of the Crucifizion - symbolized in the medalition below. In the smaller medalities is the symbol of the orb surmounted by the cross - the final triumph of Christ and the Gospels.

At the left is represented Christ's Resurrection. He bears the crucifors benner of Victory and at His feet are the alcoping soldiers. The Ascension is symbolized at the right, with the eleven Apostles grouped below the figure of the Ascending Christ.

The four smaller symbols of the side lancets represent the four Evangellats - Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. According to tradition, they typicy the four chief events of Our Lord's sartily life; - the singed man - suggesting the Incornation, the singed or symbolising the Cacrificial Death, the singed lion of the Resource Longed the eagle of the Recordion.

Growing vine forms enrich the field and outline the modalitons, while starry accents through the blue border of cloud forms avabolise beavenly attainment.

Across the base is the texts "I am he that liveth and was dead, and behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen." This space might also be used for a memorial inscription - if one is desired.



A stained glass window varies in changing light and one of its greatest charas is its sensitive response to "the color of the weather". It could well be described as patterned color alive in light and its very marked cirtues serve also to define its limitations.

It is a symbol and not a picture. Its patterned color is more like patterned sound in music than it is like the realistic picture. Just as Browning's Abt Vogler could take three sounds and make "Not a fourth sound, but a star" - so the artist in glass may combine colors and light and the blacks of leadlines and paintlines to sing of the ideals that make Christianity beautiful.

Color is the glory of stained glass, and always the great master-craftsmen have used color as musicians use sound; that is, in terms of its most profound spiritual significance.

Pure color in light reminds the observer afresh of the ancient symbolism of color that distinguished each one of the spectrum colors with spiritual qualities.

Red is the color of divine love, of passionate devotion, of sacrifice, of martyrdom.

Blue, the color of divine wisdom, of enduring loyalty, of eternal heavenly spaces, of contemplation and truth.

Oreen, the color of hope, springtime, and victory.

White, the color of faith, serenity and peace.

Gold, the color of spiritual achievement, of the good life, of tressures in heaven.

Violet, or purple, of justice, royalty, humility, and in the sonse of the unknown quantity, mystery, death.