

St. Peter's Church Plans Midnight Service

St Peter's United Church of Christ, Oliver and Porter Sts., North Tonawanda, will conduct a Christmas Eve service at 11:15 p.m. Tuesday. Carols will be sung by the senior choir. Communion will be offered. Rev Donald Storm, pastor, will conduct the sermon.

The Evening News, Mon., Dec. 23, 1957

Annual XMAS SALE

Sponsored by St. Peter's Women's Guild, at St. Peter's Church, Oliver and Porter, Thursday, Dec. 2, 6:30 P. M. Refreshments served all evening. Country Store Booths for fancy Goods, Bags Aprons, candy, etc.

The Evening News, Wed., Dec. 1, 1948

Rally Announced For Sunday School, St. Peter's Church St. Peters E. & R. Sunday

School, Oliver, corner Porter Ave., North Tonawanda, will observe Rally Day at 11 a.m. Sunday. Mrs. Henry Ahrens, art instructor at State Teachers College, Buffalo will present Biblical stories through the medium of puppets. Parents who have children who will be three years old by Dec. 1 may enroll their children in the nursery at this time.

Tonawanda News, Friday, September 28, 1956

ST. PETER'S SERVICE SET

St Peter's Church in Gratwick will have a worship service on Christmas morning at ten o'clock. The choir will render a number of selections, in one of which the Junior Choir will have a part. The Pastor will deliver a Communion meditation on the subject: "Seeking the Greatest Gift.

The NEWS of the Tonawandas, NY, Tue. Dec. 23, 1947

St. Peter's Church children to import Christmas message

A Christmas program will be presented Sunday at 7 p.m. By the boys and girls of the church school of St. Peter's United Church of Christ, Oliver and Porter Streets, North Tonawanda.

The program will be presented for members of the congregation, parents and friends. The message of the boys and girls is entitled, "The Adoration of the Kings and Shepherds."

Taking part in the program will be: Jody Miranto, Annette Meyers, Tracy Fritz and Cindy Pickard as angels; Michael Bugenhagen, Joel Brand, Karl Schuppenhauer and Keith Schuppenhauer as shepherds; Mark Meyers, Ronald Beyer and Michael Neumann as kings; Beth Mueller as Mary; Gary Reimer as Joseph. Readers will be Brian Moeller and Jeffrey Ribbeck. Ushers will be James Toellner, Mark Neumann, Brian Moeller and Alan Brand.

The nursery and kindergarten departments will sing "Away In a Manger." The Primary department will present a recitation on "Christmas Stars." The Junior choir of the church and the Church School Choir will join their voices in song throughout the program. Church school superintendent William MOeller announces there will be a dedication included for the spinet piano given to the church for Christmas by the church school in memory of Cynthia Doel through gifts given to the Church School Memorial Fund by Cynthia's friends and relatives and the church school. Cynthia was a teacher in the nursery department of the school

The offering for the evening will go to help equip a science laboratory at the high school at Mt. Sliinda, Rhodesia. The Rev. Claude Peters teaches science and his wife, Carol, works in the hospital at Mt. Sliinda.

There will be a fellowship hour following the program in the parish hall hosted by the Friendship Circle. Everyone is invited. Organist for the program is Mrs. Glen Warblow. Coordinators of the program are Mr. Moeller, Mrs. George Snyder and Mrs. Roy Doel. There will be an 11 p.m. Service on Christmas Eve which will include the service of Holy Communion. The Chancel Choir will offer special music for the program.

Tonawanda News, Thursday, Dec. 16, 1971

Guild Names Committee For Annual Quiet Hour

A committee of St. Peter's United Church of Christ Guild women has been appointed to plan the program for the Guild's Annual Lenten Quiet Hour in the church.

The service is planned March 5 in the church, Oliver Street and Porter Avenue, North Tonawanda. Guild members of all United Churches of Christ in the Niagara Region will be guests of the local guild. A special guest will be Mrs. Francis Hefner, vice president of the North Tonawanda Unit, Association for Retarded Children, Mrs. William Moeller, spiritual life chairman, will be in charge of the devotional program which will start at 8 p.m. in the church sanctuary.

The Rev. Russell R. Myers, pastor of St. Peter's Church, will speak on the topic "At Thy Mercy Seat." Holy Communion will be administered in the pews for all who wish to partake.

The offering taken during the service will be given to the Tonawanda Unit, Association for Retarded Children.

Tables for a luncheon following the service will be decorated in a "cross" theme.

Serving on the committee are Mrs. Alex Carnduff, Mrs. Robert Brick, Mrs. Walter E. Toellner, Mrs. Raymond Fettes, Mrs. Walter Beyer, Mrs. Fred Cooper, Miss Ruth Doner and Mrs. Moeller.

Tonawanda News, Fri. Feb. 8, 1963

Meeting of Senior Girls' Class of St. Peter's Church

A special business meeting of the Senior Girls' class of St. Peter's Evangelical church, Oliver street, will be held tomorrow evening at the home of Mrs. Butler in 229 Stenzil street.

The Evening News, Tuesday, December. 8, 1931

St. Peter's Church 'Christmas Services

On Christmas Eve and on Christmas morning special services will be held at St. Peter's Church on Oliver street.

This evening the Sunday school will present the Nativity Story in a dramatic Christmas service through song and shadows, Scripture and poetry. Mrs. Glen Warblow will preside at the organ, and Miss Elaine Hills at the piano. For a prelude, the two instruments will be heard in a duet in "Holy Night" by Kohlman. The pageant has been prepared under the leadership of Mrs. E. T. Mueller, Mrs. William Moeller and Mrs. Warblow. Mrs. Braun has charge of the costuming. The participants include age groups from primaries to seniors.

In the same evening service, the Beginners and the primary pupils will render songs and recitations. A special "white gift" offering will be given for undernourished children in devastated countries.

On Christmas at 10 a.m. There will be a festival service of worship. The pastor will preach on the subject: "The Fearful Wonder of the Shepherds." The choir will sing "Beautiful Savior" by Christiansen and the Hallelujah Chorus by Handel. Miss Elaine Hills will sing the offertory solo, "Joyous Bells" by Manzuca.

The NEWS of the Tonawandas, NY, Tue. Dec. 23, 1947

Women to Hold Spring Rally In St. Peter's

Women of the Evangelical and Reformed Churches of this area will meet for their annual Spring Rally at St. Peter's Church, Oliver and Porter Streets, tomorrow. Registration will begin at 9:30, The devotions at 10 a.m. are in charge of Mrs. Ralph Meyers. Mrs. Karl Kindt will give the meditation.

There will be a box luncheon at noon with the women of St. Peter's Church serving dessert and coffee.

In the afternoon session, Mrs. Paul Frankenfeld will bring greeting and Mrs. Fred E. White of the Buffalo and Erie County Council of Churches will bring the message.

For the past year, Mrs. J. J. Braun has been president of the Niagara Regional Women's Guild, the organization conducting the Spring Rally.

The Evening News, Tuesday April 18, 1950

Real "Heart"

When YOU do your grocery shopping this week, buy just one food item for the North Tonawanda later Church Food Pantry

The pantry in a basement room at St Peter's Church at 1208 Oliver St. has helped to feed 631 families in its first year of operation

Long known as the "twin communities with a heart." it takes people with real "heart" to make such a venture successful And those involved certainly have'

Among those deserving praise are the pastor, the Rev Richard Luh Carolyn Lauffer. Dorothy Moeller. Marilyn Conti. Sharon Wolff A. Miller. Francis Bakery Bunsmaster the Wurlitzer Pharmacy and hundreds of "giving" people who bring food donations to the "pantry "

The year old pantry has the reputation of being the hunger intervention center for folk displaced by home fires, people whose disability checks fail to arrive on time and others whose certification from the Social Services Departments takes longer than a family Anticipated

To receive food from the pantry, persons must be certified by social service agencies as really in need.

And with a colder than usual winter predicted, plus record high unemployment in the area, it appears the demand for pantry goodies will be greater than ever.

This makes your weekly grocery contribution even more essential

Soon, Dolores Kinkaid plans to open a "Clothes Closet" in the same church basement, where persons in need of clothing items may also "shop." Thanks to the donated labor of Bob Ostwald. the carpentry needed for the pantry and clothes closet nears completion.

All in all. this thoroughly ecumenical project to feed and clothe the needy, truly exemplifies one of the best qualities of Twin Cities folk — their love and concern for their fellow human beings.

Happy Birthday, Food Pantry! Let's hope next year the economy will hit that long-awaited upturn and your business will be the only one we'll celebrate "going out of business" for lack of customers.

Tonawanda NEWS Tue., Oct. 19, 1982

Progressive Club Officers Installed at Dinner Event

Officers of the Progressive Women's Republican Club for 1957 were installed last evening at a dinner event in the parish hall of St. Peter's Church, Porter Ave. and Oliver St. Mrs. Mildred Jackson, state committeewoman from Niagara Falls, installed the following: Mrs Rudolph Ziehm, president; Mrs. Frank Ambrusko. first vice president; Mrs. Alden Golem, second vice president; Mrs. William Hurdiss, third vice president, Mrs William Hurdiss, recording secretary; Mrs. George Dischinger, treasured, and Mrs Frances Harber, corresponding secretary.

Announced as standing committee heads for the year are:

Mrs. Stephen, ways and means; Mrs. David Oldani, program; Mrs. Frederick B. Durkee, sunshine and Mrs. Louise Burns, Publicity.

Mrs. Carl Heywang served as program chairman and introduced city and county officials who were guests at the affair.

County Attorney V. Sumner Carroll, guest speaker, described his experiences "Behind the Iron Curtain" and comparing them with the "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness" enjoyed in this country.

Carl Haywang sang several selections with Mrs. John Hacker as pianist.

Guests from Lockport included Niagara County Sheriff Arthur Muisiner and Mrs. Muisiner; Mrs. Frank Woock, wife of the Niagara County Clerk; Mrs. Irene Jones, deputy county clerk and Mrs, Hellie Glover, state committeewoman.

From Niagara Falls: Mrs. Flay, vice chairman of the Niagara County Republican Committee; Mrs. Rose Paonessa. Niagara County Coroner Eugene Ingram and Mrs. Ingram, Mrs. Ann Silvu.

Representing the North Tonawanda Women's Republican Club was Mrs. Charles F. Rand, president Serving on the committee for the program were: Mrs. Durkee, Mrs. Albert Stieg and Mrs Dischinger

The Evening News, Wed, Jan. 16, 1957

Salem Church to Be Host To Regional Women's Meet

Thursday, March 28th, the women of the Niagara Regional District Guild, of the Western New York Synod of the Evangelical and Reformed church, will meet at Salem church, Tonawanda, for their regular Spring meeting.

Included in this group are the women from Salem church and St. Peter's church, Tonawanda; the Hungarian church, St. Peter's church and Frieden's church of North Tonawanda; St. Paul's church, Wendelville; St. Stephens church, Millersport; St. Paul's

church, Shawnee and St. Peter's church of Lockport.

Mrs. Roy Herschfl, the president of the Regional Guild, has announced the following committees: Nominating committee, Mrs. Walter Hetzel, Mrs. Arnold Buchhardt, Mrs. Frederick Schroeder; registration committee: Mrs. Philip Weinheimer. Mrs. Everett Walton; literature and exhibit committee Mrs. Howard Hillman, Mrs. Joseph O'shaughnessy; auditing committee: Miss Josephine Borchert, Mrs. Walter Toellner.

A box lunch is planned for the noon hour. Coffee will be served by the Salem Women's Guild under the leadership of Mrs. Walter Getman, president of the Salem Guild.

THE NEWS of the Tonawandas, N. Y., Saturday, March 23, 1946

CROP WALK. The local share of \$1,284.53 in CROP Walk money was (turned over to two outreach groups recently at St. Francis of Assis rectory in North Tonawanda. Taking part in the ceremony were, the Rev. Richard Luh, pastor of St. Peter's Church in North Tonawanda who received \$1,027.63 for the InterChurch Food Pantry at the church; Mrs. Lou Rademacher of St. Francis, who received \$256.90 for the St. Francis Food Pantry; Joe Riggie, co-chairperson of the 1982 walk, and George Pequet, treasurer of the CROP Walk. The money came from pledges received by the 500 walkers who participated in the walk last October.

Tonawanda NEWS Wednesday, May 4,. 1983

Robert Ostwald selected to head NT Food Pantry

Robert R. Ostwald, a member of St. Mark Lutheran Church in North Tonawanda, has been appointed coordinator of the North Tonawanda Inter-Church Food Pantry, located at St. Peter's Church of Christ in North Tonawanda.

He succeeds Karolyn Lauffer, who has accepted a position with the Western New York Bank.

The announcement was made through James D. Tasa, executive director of the United Way of the Tonawandas, which has the Food Pantry as one of its member agencies.

Mr. Tasa noted that the Inter- Church Food Pantry makes an important contribution to the quality of life in the Tonawandas. "Although they are not as visible in the Twin Cities as in larger metropolitan areas, there are a number of people in the Tonawandas who would go hungry if it were not for the services provided by the Pantry. The United Way of the Tonawandas is happy to work with Bob Ostwald and the Food Pantry to bring these needed services to the hungry. They are a very important part of the United Way's helping network."

Mr. Ostwald has served as a volunteer of the Food Pantry since its inception in 1981. Most recently he served as vice-president. He said, "I'm indebted to Karolyn Lauffer for her support and assistance in this transition period. It was her dedication and that of Marilyn Conti and Dorothy Dick, among others, that have made the Food Pantry what it is today."

"The Food Pantry," he continued, "is a community organization that came into being to help feed the unemployed and to provide needed emergency services for individuals in crisis. Last year, the Food Pantry provided assistance to over 3,000 families, and that number will be exceeded in 1986."

He noted that both local and national United Way organizations have been instrumental in developing and supporting Food Pantries, and have provided assistance to bring Federal Emergency Assistance and Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Funds into the Tonawandas."

Mr. Ostwald has a long history of community service. He has served with his wife Arline as a volunteer of the Association for Retarded Children and the Parents Council for Retarded Children of Kenmore. He served as vice-president of ARC for some years and currently is its treasurer. Active with the Church Council of St. Mark Lutheran Church, Mr. Ostwald has held every position on the council except that of

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elder. He has been a trustee of the St. Mark Lutheran Church School for three years.

A veteran of World War II, Mr. Ostwald commanded Company K of the New York Army National Guard's 174th Infantry Regiment until August 1951. Following that, he transferred to the New York Air National Guard at the Niagara Falls Air Base. Early in 1953 he left the reserve component of the military, but continued his association with the Air National Guard in a civilian capacity until his retirement in 1980. Mr. Ostwald resides with his wife in the City of North Tonawanda.

Tonawanda NEWS, Sat., June 21, 1986

St. Peter's, Third Presbyterian combine to sponsor North End Bible School

Final plans have been made for the North End Vacation Bible School sponsored by St. Peter's United Church of Christ and Third Presbyterian Church. Classes are scheduled Monday through July 3 in St. Peter's Church, Oliver and Porter Streets, North Tonawanda, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m..

Registration will begin at 9 a.m. Monday. All boys and girls of the community are welcome, regardless of their church affiliation. Classes will be offered for children of nursery age, three, to eighth grade.

The theme of the school is "Come Live with Us in Bible Times." The topic for study by the Nursery Department is "We Know That God Loves Us." Bible teacher is Sharon Moeller. Mrs. William Beyer, Carol Moeller and Laurie Morazzano will be craft teachers and helpers.

The Kindergarten Department will study the topic, "Two Boys from Bethlehem." Mrs. Roy Doel and Mrs. John Rozycki are Bible teachers. Beth Moeller, Patricia Bodie and Ann Wasieczko are craft teachers and helpers.

The first grade Bible teacher is Heidi Schuster, and craft teachers are Mrs. John Morris and Frances Rozycki. Study material is titled "David, Jesus and Me." Cathy Fettes will be the second grade Bible teacher. Craft teachers will be Mrs. Norman Hebler, Michael Moeller and Kathy McMeekin. Study material is "David, Jesus and Me."

Mrs. Allen Brand and Mrs. Glenn Meyers will share Bible teaching in the third grade. Mrs. Wilson Harleben will be the Bible teacher for the fourth grade. Craft teachers for the third and fourth grades will be

Mrs. Lester Rumo and Lisa Rumo. Study material for both grades will be "Living Together Now and In Bible times."

Teaching the Bible lesson for the fifth grade will be Mrs. Albert Stieg, and for the sixth grade. Mrs. George Snyder. Study material is titled, "Sharing an Adventure Now and in Bible times." Craft teacher for the fifth grade is Mrs. Walter Moeller, assisted by Mrs. Walter Nebelecky. Sixth grade crafts will be taught by Mrs. Henry Schutte and Roy Fettes.

Pianists and organist for the school will be Mrs. Glen Warblow, Mrs. Henry Schutte, Sharon Moeller, Beth Moeller and Michael Moeller. Carpentry and props will be provided by the Rev. Thomas Wood, Thomas Wood Jr. and Roy Fettes.

Refreshments will be provided each day through donations and served by Mrs. Howard Stoeckel and Mrs. Walter Beyer. Director for the school is Mrs. William Moeller. Registrar-secretary-treasurer is Pamela Moeller. Mrs. Moeller will be assisted throughout the school by the Rev. Thomas Wood and the Rev. George Snyder.

The school will have a special mission project, "Fly A Pig," to bring food and happiness to many people through Heifer Project International. A freewill offering will be taken each day for this project during worship.

Closing program for the school will be conducted at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 3. For viewing of crafts, and 7 p.m. for service in the church sanctuary

Tonawanda NEWS Friday, June 11, 1974

BANQUET

St. Peter's United Church of Christ will have a mother-daughter banquet sponsored by the Women's Fellowship on Thursday evening in the church at 1208 Oliver St., North Tonawanda.

Tonawanda NEWS Wednesday, May 4, 1983

Meeting of Senior Girls' Society of St. Peter's Church

The Senior Girls' society of St. Peter's church, Oliver street will meet this evening at 8 o'clock at the home of Miss June Schroeder, 210 Linwood avenue.

The Evening News, Friday, August 9, 1940

ST. PETER'S CHURCH PICNIC TOMORROW

Program in the Afternoon Will Include Games for Children

The Sunday school of St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed church, Oliver street, corner Porter Avenue, will hold its annual picnic Saturday afternoon and evening on the church grounds. There will be games for the children in the afternoon and refreshments will be served. The Women's Guild of the church will serve chowder, beginning at 11 o'clock, which may be purchased throughout the day by quart or bowl.

Lester Moeller and Carl Neumann will have charge of the games. The ice cream and soft drink Committee is composed of Miss Marian Meyers, Miss Gordon Andres, Miss Ruth Smith and Miss Rachel Twente.

Fred Thorntan, superintendent, is general chairman in charge of arrangements.

The Evening News, Friday, August 9, 1940

Twin City Members Attend Church Meet

The New York District conference of the Evangelical and Reformed church is being held at the Salem church in Rochester this week and attended by representatives of the St. Peter's Evangelical and Frieden's Evangelical churches of North Tonawanda and the Salem Evangelical church of Tonawanda.

Those representing the local churches include Rev. Theophil Twente and John Seibel of St. Peter's church, Rev. Theodore Mayer of Frieden's church and Rev. Waite F. Hetzel and William F. Thuersam of Salem church.

The conference has been called especially to consider the proposed constitution for the merger of the Evangelical Synod of North America and the Reformed church in America.

The findings of the conference will be submitted to the constitution committee and by it to the general synod at Fort Wayne in June. A two-thirds acceptance by the districts next May will be necessary before completion of the merger.

The Evening News, Friday, May 8, 1936

Three Anniversaries to Be Observed This Fall by St. Peter's Church

Are Centenary of Evangelical Synod, Golden Anniversary of Hungarian Evangelical Church and 215th Anniversary of Reformed Church in America; Plan Pageant

The congregation of St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed church, Oliver street, held its semi-annual meeting last evening in the church auditorium, with the pastor, the Rev. T. H. Twente, presiding. The financial report of the income and expenditures for the past six months was presented by the treasurer, Gordia Knapp. Kenneth Moeller acted as secretary pro-tem in the absence of the secretary. In commenting on the report received, Rev. Twente, said they were very encouraging. He said an unusually large number of new members had been received into the church the past six months and the Women's Guild had been very successful in its activities for that period. He urged those present to assist in maintaining a better attendance at church services. Dr. E. T. Mueller gave a report of the Parish hall fund.

Announcement was made that three anniversaries will be observed this fall, the centenary of the Evangelical Synod, the Golden anniversary of the Hungarian Evangelical church and the 215th anniversary of the Reformed church in America. It has been proposed that all churches in Buffalo and vicinity unite on Reformation Day, the second Sunday in October, and engage the Kleinhans Music hall to put on a pageant depicting the history of the Evangelical church.

A meeting to arrange for this will be held tonight in Grace Evangelical and Reformed church, Buffalo. Mrs. E. T. Mueller and Mrs. Kenneth Hoeller were chosen as delegates from this church. It was decided to discontinue the mid-week Lenten services next Spring, but to continue the Sunday evening Lenten services. The question of the heating of the school house for the Sunday school session during the cold months was referred to the church council. The pastor announced that he had received a communication stating that the new hymnal being prepared by the Evangelical and Reformed church would be ready by January 1941. Following the business session, a social hour was enjoyed in the church basement, and refreshments were served by the Women's Guild.

The Evening News, Monday, July 15, 1940

ST. PETER'S CHURCH MOTHERS' CLUB MONTHLY MEETING

The Mothers' Club of St Peters Evangelical church held their regular monthly business meeting Wednesday evening at 7.30 o'clock in the school house at Porter avenue and Oliver street, after which a Christmas party was held. The meeting opened with prayer and song and the program was introduced by the president. Mrs. K. A. Butler, who also read from "Mother's Golden Now" magazine.

The program for the party included, two vocal numbers, "Jingle Bells." and "Star of the Morning," by a quartette consisting of Dolores Meyers, Rachael Twente. Ruth Siembt and Norma Meyers.

Mrs. C. E. Leverent of Schuler street gave a recitation "The 'First Christmas'" and an impersonation "Over the Radio.

Games were played and many small gifts awarded, to the winners. The committee in charge of arrangements consisted of Mrs. John Meyers, chairman; Mrs. Cordis Knapp. Mrs. Edwin Schroeder, Mrs. Gustave Gentzmer and Mrs. Edward J. Cone.

The next meeting of the club will be held Wednesday, January 18

The Evening News Friday, December 21, 1934

Church Women

Women's Union Will Have Christmas Party The Women's Union of St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed church will hold their regular monthly meeting tomorrow evening in the school hall on Porter avenue. There will be a Christmas party with exchange of gifts and each one is requested to bring a ten cent present. During the business session, final plans will be perfected for the Christmas sale, on Thursday evening.

The Evening News, Monday, December 4, 1939

SOCIETY and CLUBS

Senior Girls Meeting The Senior Girls' Society of St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed church will meet this evening at the home of Miss Ruth Dormer in Witmer road.

The Evening News, Wednesday, July 7, 1937

Rev. J. J. Braun Accepts NT Call

Mr. Fred Fischer, chairman of the joint pulpit committee of St. Peter's church, Gratwick, and St Peter's church, Knoche road, announced today that the Rev. J. J. Braun, D.D., of St. Louis, Mo., has accepted the call extended to him by these two congregations on July 22. Dr. Braun is at present executive secretary of the Board of National Missions of the Evangelical and Reformed church. He plans to move to North Tonawanda with his family on or about October 1. A farewell banquet will be held by the members of the parish for the Rev. Theophil H. Twente and his family on Sunday evening, August 19, at 6:30 o'clock. The Rev. Emil W. Menzel of Dunkirk, for many years a close friend of the Twentes, has been invited to speak on this occasion.

The Twentes expect to move to St Louis, during the last week in August, where Mr. Twente will assume his new duties as associate secretary of the Board of International Missions. He will preach his farewell sermon at St. Peter's church, Gratwick, and St. Peter's church, Knoche road, on Sunday morning, August 26. This evening, at 8 o'clock, a V-J service of worship will be held at St. Peter's church. Oliver and Porter streets. The public is cordially invited

The Evening News, Wednesday, August 15, 1945

Assessor's Report of Real Property Exempt from Taxation, 1938

St. Peter's Church:
80 x 95 frame building,
Used as Church,
Value of land exempt 2,040,
Value of building exempt 16,500

The Evening News Tuesday, October 4, 1938

Sunrise Service Ushers In Easter Festivities at St. Peter's Church

The Easter festivities at St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed Church on Oliver street, will be ushered in with a Sunrise service at 6:30 o'clock in charge of the Intermediate League. Irene Kohler will preside and Betty Knapp, Gloria Wark and Elmer Twente will assist. Howard Kohler, Jr., will sing "The Holy City." The service will be climaxed with a celebration of Holy Communion, and followed by a fellowship breakfast. In the ten o'clock service the Senior Choir will sing "O Morn of Beauty" by Sibelius and the "Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's "Messiah." The pastor, the Rev. Theophil H. Twente, will preach on "The Easter Hope." This service will also be climaxed by the celebration of the Holy Communion.

The Sunday School program which will be held at 7:30 o'clock in the evening, and preceded by a half-hour chime program, will feature the sound motion picture "The Power of God." The public is cordially invited to come and see this picture. The Junior Choir will sing.

The Evening News, April 9, 1944

Services in the Churches

Friedens Evangelical and Reformed, Schenck and Vandervoort streets, the Rev. Theodore Mayer. Sunday—9:45 a.m., Graded church school; 11 a.m., Morning worship, guest preacher, the Rev. Karl Kindt of St. Paul's church, Wendelville; 3:30 p.m., annual meeting of the church boards of the Evangelical and Reformer churches at St. Peter's church, Gratwick.

St. Paul's Evangelical and Reformed Church, Shawnee road; the Rev. Theodore Mayer; Sunday—1 p.m., Graded church school; 2 p.m., Worship service, the guest preacher, the Rev. Karl Kindt of St. Paul's church, Wendelville; 3:30 p.m., annual meeting of the official church boards of the Evangelical and Reformed churches at St. Peter's Church—Gratwick; 8 p.m., Youth Fellowship meeting at the home of Phyllis and Audry Hamman.

Christmas Sale at St. Peter's Church

The Women's Union of St. Peter's Evangelical Reformed church will hold its annual Christmas sale tonight at 7 o'clock at the church on Oliver street. A large variety of fancy goods -will be on display. Attractive booths with popcorn and candy for sale also carpet strips and a parcel post will added features. Refreshments will be served

The Evening News, Thursday, November 12, 1936

Course on China at St. Peter's Draws Group of 95 Students

Ninety-five people gathered in study classes at St Peter's Church last Sunday evening to learn about China. This was the second of the annual three Missionary Family Nights. Later in the evening a larger number listened to an address on "Mental Health" by the Rev. Merl Schiffman, chaplain in Gowanda Hospital.

The Senior Girls organization served supper at 6 and the young ladies of the Youth Fellowship waited on tables. Irwin Hills presided during the fellowship period, where the main feature was group singing. The male chorus of St. Peter's Church sang several songs

Next Sunday evening Chang Ming Chih of the Chemistry Department of Buffalo University will speak on his home country, and the film produced by the Protestant Film Association, "My Name is Han," will be shown. Mrs. Lynn Meister and Mrs. Stubbs will show pictures and play Chinese games with the younger children. Miss Kathleen Ketcham will finish her class period with the Juniors and Intermediates with the completion of a picture map of China.

The Rev. Walter C. Rasche will speak to his group on the subject: "Twilight or Dawn in China".

Supper will be served at 6 o'clock by the Women's Guild with Mesdames William Moeller and Ralph Meyers as co-chairmen. The younger ladies will again serve at tables. Frank Meyers will preside in the fun and fellowship hour.

The Evening News, Thursday, February 10, 1949

St. Peter's Guild Enrolls Mrs. Wrege And Mrs. Steigler

Two new members were taken into the Women's Guild of St Peter's Evangelical and Reformed Church at the last meeting. They are Mrs. Walter Wrege and Mrs. H. Stickler.

Plan are under way for the gala February party, honoring Lincoln's Birthday, St Valentine's Day and Washington's Birthday.

Decorations and games will be In keeping with these special days.

Those in charge of arrangements and decorations, are: Mrs. Charles Stoeckel, Mrs. E. Geiss Mrs. Lester Moeller, Mrs. Edward Schroeder, Mrs. Irwin Hils and Mrs. L. Eggert The lunch committee will be Mrs. F. Semper, Mrs. William Stieg, Mrs. Fred Cooper and Mrs. Elmer Thormau.

All the women of the church and their friends are invited to spend the evening of Feb. 17 in fun and fellowship at St Peter's Church.

The Evening News, Thursday, February 10, 1949

Meeting of Senior Girls of St. Peter's Church

The Senior girls of St. Peter's church, Oliver street will meet Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock at the home of Miss Marion Meyers in 204 Stenzil street. All of the members are urged to be present, as new members will be taken in at this time.

Meeting of Young People's League of St. Peter's Church is Postponed

The meeting of the Young People's League of St. Peter's Evangelical church. Oliver street, is to be postponed from Wednesday evening, September 28, to Wednesday evening, October 5 at 8 o'clock.

The Evening News Tuesday. September 27. 1931

In The Social Realm

Ladies of St. Peter's Church Will Have Tea

The Ladies of St. Peter's church; on Oliver street will hold a silver tea Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. John Meyers of Allan street.

The Evening News, Wednesday, November 20, 1929

St. Peter's Evangelical & Reformed Church,

Oliver and Porter Sts., the Rev. Charles F, Kriete, pastor. Sunday: 8 a.m., Men's prayer meeting and Bible study breakfast; 9:45 a.m., morning worship, sermon by the pastor: "The Temptations"; 11 a.m., Sunday School, Don Gentzmer, superintendent. Wednesday; 3 p.m., Confirmation class; 7:30 p.m., Mid-week Lenten devotional service, the Rev. Carl Berges preaching on the text; "Blessed are Those Who Mourn." Thursday; 10 a.m., Women's prayer meeting and Bible study; 7:30 p.m., Youth night. Friday; 8 p.m., Choir rehearsal

The Evening News, Saturday, February 18, 1956

CHURCH WOMEN

Executive Board Plans Activities for November

The Executive Board of the Women's Union of St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed church, Oliver street, made plans for next month's activities at a meeting held Monday evening in the home of the president, Mrs. Gordis Knapp, in Linwood avenue. It was decided to have a chowder sale, on. Wednesday, October 25th. Members of the Union were asked to bring a shower gift for a Christmas sale, at the November meeting. At that time there will be a thank offering service.

The Evening News, Wednesday, October 18, 1939

In the Social Realm

Meeting Of Senior Girls' Class of St. Peter's Church. The Senior Girls* class of St.. Peter's church. Oliver street, will meet this evening at. eight o'clock, at the home of Mrs. Leonard Tillman in 241 Sommer street. All of Hie members are *requested to be present

The Evening News, Wednesday, May 13. 1931

Mrs. J. J. Braun Elected Head of Regional Group

An interested group of women from the Evangelical and Reformed churches of the Niagara region met yesterday for their annual spring meeting at Salem church, Tonawanda. Mrs. Roy Herschel of Tonawanda presided as president of the Women's Guild convention. Mrs. J. J. Braun of St. Peter's church, Gratwick, was elected to the office of president for the ensuing year. Other officers elected: First vice president, Mrs. Elmer Redemske; Second vice president, Mrs. Anna O'Shaughnessy; Secretary, Mrs. Rudolph Goodnick; Treasurer, Mrs. Philip Weinheimer. Dr. J. J. Braun, pastor of St Peter's church, Gratwick, and Mrs. Frederick Daries of Indianapolis were the special speakers of the day. Dr. Braun called attention in his address to "Two Groups of People Challenging Christian People Today". He said, "Christians today can not be unmindful of the challenge of specially gifted Christian leaders as we meet them doing outstanding services in many countries. They must stir every Christian to greater service". He spoke of the service such persons like Muriel Lester, Philippe Berier, Protestant minister in France, and Bonhoefer in Germany. "The second group which becomes our challenge" Dr. Braun said, "are the suffering people today who are making an heroic effort to get on their feet in the light of the new day." He spoke of children in Holland, underground ministers and leaders who are seeking to help a people who have lost their faith in the best things of life. He concluded his appeal by saying, "A new way has been opened for Christians to render a world-wide service through the newly organized world-wide Christian fellowship of the World Council of Churches." In two addresses Mrs. Frederick Daries of Indianapolis presented the fascinating work of the Evangelical and Reformed church work in Honduras. These addresses portraying the 25 years of work, now in charge of 16 missionaries, were of special interest because of her personal contact with this field of her recent visit to Honduras. "The educational work of the missionaries", Mrs. Daries said, "has probably been the most outstanding phase of this missionary project." She added, "Not only do the foremost citizens of the community send their children to these schools but the national government has also recognized these schools as the best in the country."

THE NEWS of the Tonawandas. N. Y., Friday, March 29, 1946

100 Guests Attend Friendship Circle Birthday Party

Approximately 100 members of St. Peter's Church and their guests gathered last night for a Fellowship Birthday party sponsored by the Friendship Circle of the Church. "Happy Birthday" was the theme song. Mrs. W. Eugene Toellner, circle president, greeted the guests who were seated at four tables, each decorated in keeping with the four seasons. Crocheted pin cushions made by Mrs. Lawrence Hebler were favors.

Rev. Donald Storm, master of ceremonies, introduced a drum and accordion duet by Donald Betz and John Toellner; baton twirling by Sue Scott and Karen Stone; piano selections by Mariene Muth and Jean Schoonover, a vocal solo by Marcia Moeller, tap dancing by Karen Stone and choral singing by St. Peter's 26 member Choral Choir of young people. A short play "The New Maid" was presented by Mrs. John Rozycki and Mrs. W. Eugene Toellner. The audience enjoyed community singing and games and to the amusement of the group. Mr. Storm called on some of the men to model women's hats.

Program assistants were Mrs. Glenn Warblow, Miss Barbara Stubbs and Mr. and Mrs. Roland Stubbs.

Refreshments were served by the following committee: Frank Stone, Frank Luescher, Glenn Warblow, Lawrence Hebler, Minel Muth, Roland Stubbs, Donald Storm, William Krupp, DeMary Roth, K.A. Buttler, LeRoy Heidenfeldt, John Rzycki, W. Eugene Toellner, Edward Geiss, W. A. Pichard, and Miss Ruth Donner.

The Evening News, Wednesday, November 11, 1959

Church food pantry turns one

By BARBARA TUCKER
NEWS Staff Writer

The North Tonawanda Inter-Church Food Pantry will celebrate its first anniversary Tuesday. And for 631 area families, there is great cause for rejoicing: They did not go hungry. The pantry, which runs out of a single basement room in St. Peter's Church at 1208 Oliver St., North Tonawanda, helped nearly 1,800 people (the total number represented by the 631 families) in its first year.

In the first month a year ago, the pantry served 25 families. It is now averaging 60 to 65 families a month. The pantry's success is due to the unswerving hard work and constant enthusiasm of volunteers like the Rev. Rich Luh, pastor; Karolyn Lauffer, president of the organization; Bob Ostwald, whose carpentry skills turned an unused room into an efficient pantry, and Dolores Kinkaid, who will soon be starting a Clothing Closet, a sister project to the food pantry. There are others, like Joe Wright who puts out the Pantry Post, a newsletter keeping volunteers up to date on happenings, Marilyn Conti, who keeps the books in order, and Sharon Wolff, whose dependability and humor keeps the wheels running smoothly.

"We started out primarily to help families in North Tonawanda. But we had to expand," Karolyn said. "But to tell you the truth, we wish we weren't needed. We'd be happy to close tomorrow." But that hardly seems likely, given the high unemployment figures released recently by the government.

"Dorothy Moeller, our fantastic secretary, keeps a list of all donations, whether large or small. We have two volunteers a day here from 1 to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday to serve anyone who comes in," Karolyn explained. She said those people served by the pantry have to be certified by social service agencies who screen clients and give them vouchers. Who are the people who come to the pantry for help? "They're from all walks of life," Karolyn explained. One family, for instance, was displaced by fire and came to the Pantry when the aid from the Red Cross ended. A common need occurs when disability checks don't come in or when certification from welfare takes more weeks than a family had anticipated.

"What do you do between the weeks when your unemployment runs out and your certification comes through from welfare?" Once a month, Karolyn attends the Human Services meeting, where she learns what is happening in other agencies which serve the poor. "We're called a 'Hunger Intervention Center' by

the government. All that means is that we give temporary help so people don't starve while they're trying to stand on their own two feet." Karolyn is very enthusiastic about the "tremendous" community support the pantry gets. In the beginning, eight churches supported the effort, a number which has grown to 20. "We're ecumenical all the way," she laughed. "If we can't turn to our church in crisis, who can we turn to?"

The food used by the pantry comes from various sources. Some, like many fresh fruits and vegetables, come from area gardeners who share their overabundance with the pantry. One such person is Al Miller, of NT, who's retired, and brings squash, potatoes and other vegetables to the pantry. Stores like Frances Bakery and Bunsmaster in NT give the pantry day-old baked goods. Some churches have special collections for the pantry and many donations just come in the mail. Businesses also donate. "We take anything," Karolyn smiled, "we have no pride."

Donations of canned goods come in from the community or are purchased wholesale when necessary. Wurtlitzer Pharmacy takes a voucher for - baby formula issued by the pantry and then bills the pantry. "We have a phenomenal group here who get together and do a lot of good with no red tape. We have a crack staff of volunteers — people who care about others. But we can use more foods with Thanksgiving just around the corner." The pantry was given a freezer recently which has helped "tremendously," according to Karolyn. And they'd like to fill it with turkeys, bread and other foods which can be used in the coming holiday seasons. In addition, the pantry is looking for items like soap, toothpaste and shampoo for personal care kits.

Anyone wishing to make a donation may do so in person at the church. Donations may also be mailed to the pantry.

"Let us not love in word, neither «in tongue, but in deed and in truth." is a quote in the Bible from St. John. It could not be seen in reality better than at the Inter-Church Pantry

Tonawanda NEWS Monday October 11, 1982

Meeting of Senior Girls

The Senior Girls* Society of St Peter's Evangelical Church will meet tonight at 8 o'clock at the home of Miss Marian Meyers of 204 Stenzil street.

The Evening News, Wednesday, September 2, 1936

E&R Churches Plan Outdoor Service In Pine Woods Park

The union service of all Niagara Frontier Evangelical and Reformed Churches in Pine Woods Park at 10:45 a.m. on Sunday is the major undertaking of the United Church Councils each year.

Representatives from all churches assume special responsibilities for this service. The music this year is under the direction of Clyde D. Kline of St. Peter's Church, Gratwick. Mrs. Glen A Warblow will be organist.

The 22 regular members of the St. Peter's Church Choir will sing two anthems, Mozart's "Gloria in Excelsis," and Dudley Buck's, "Te Deum Laudamus." The organ prelude will be a recording by Glenn Paxton, Thome's "Andante Religiose." Mrs. Warblow's offertory selection will be, "Melodie," by von Gluck, and her postlude, "The Concerto in B Flat," from Handel. Soloists will be Carl, Kenneth and Lester Moeller. There will be a duet by Rose Moeller and Ella Frazier.

Fred Fischer will be in charge of the ushers. Russell Wattam of Salem Church will be in charge of the public address system. Charles Burtch of Friedens Church has made arrangements for seating, worship center and location.

On Monday evening, all workers of the co-operating churches will meet at St. Paul's Church, Wendelville to hear the Rev. Stanger speak on "Personal Religious Living." The Rev. C. E. Berges* of Friedens will speak on devotional aids that are available for all age groups.

Tonawanda NEWS Wednesday June 14. 1950

Services in the Churches

St. Peter's Evangelical & Reformed church, Oliver and Porter streets; Theophil H. Twente, minister. — 10 a.m., worship, sermon topic, "Let's Pretend"; rite of confirmation; sacrament of holy communion; there will be no Sunday school. 7:30 p.m., special service at St. Peter's church, Knoche road.

Tonawanda NEWS June. 1944

St. Peters Has Dinner and. Annual Congregational Meet

Beginning with a fellowship supper served by members of the Women's Guild St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed Church, Oliver and Porter streets, held its annual congregational meeting last night. In his report on the work of the past year, the pastor, Theophil H. Twente, pointed out that it had been marked by a number of happy as well as important events. St. Peter's Church was privileged to dedicate new hymnals made possible through the generosity of friends and organizations, new alter appointments; the gift of the Senior Girls Society, a memorial tablet to honor of the late Dr. E. Th. Mueller, the gift of the Women's Guild, and an amplifying system with, tower chimes, likewise the gift of the Women's Guild. However, the high point in the life of the church was on 'Dec. 20, when a 'Victory service was held in which the final note of the church, debt was paid off. The hundred. dollars received in excess of the needed amount will be used, toward .needed repairs in the church basement.

Fred. Thorman, superintendent of the Sunday school; Mrs. G. Bethel, president and Mrs. Ed. Schroeder, treasurer of the Women's Guild; Mrs. Charles Moeller. president of the choir; Mrs. Elmer Thorman, president of the Senior League and Richard Meyers, president of the Intermediate League; Mrs. Rowland Stubbs, president of Senior Girls Society and Kenneth Moeller. Treasurer of the parish hall fund, gave report on the work of their respective organizations' and the standing of their .treasuries. Kordis E. Knapp, the treasurer of 'the church, who has been serving in. that capacity for six. years, was re-elected for another term of three years to recognition of the splendid services' which he has 'rendered. The following retiring members of the church council were reelected by acclamation, Fred Fischer, Kenneth Moeller and Ernest Ribbeck. Edward Janowsky was elected by ballot to fill the remaining vacancy.

The Evening News, Monday, January 11, 1943

Vacation School Set In St. Peter's Church

Jesus, the Promised Savior!" is the theme for this year's vacation Bible School at St. Peter's United Church of Christ, Oliver and Porter St., North Tonawanda.

The school will be in session from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., Mondays through Fridays, June 22 to July 2 for pre-school through high school age pupils.

Mrs. Russell R. Myers is the director to be assisted by Mrs. Robert H. Schuster, Department heads named are:

Nursery – Miss Constance Myers and Miss Linda Behmm teaching and crafts; Kindergarten – Mrs. Glen Meyers, teacher, Mrs. Robert Brick, crafts; Grades 1 and 2, Mrs. Roy Doel and Mrs. John Rozycki; Grand 3, Mrs. David Stickney, teacher, Mrs. Denis Moeller, crafts; Grade 4, Mrs. Donald Tice, teacher, Mrs. Robert Bartlett, crafts; Grade 5, Mrs. William Moeller, teacher, Mrs. William Reimer, crafts; Grade 6, the Rev. Russell R. Myers, teacher, Mer. Eugene Miliczuk and Mrs. John Hils, crafts.

Mrs. William stoeckel has been named secretary – treasured. Daniel Myers, refreshment supervisor, and Mrs. Schuster, pianist.

"The theme is a study of God's word in relationship to each child's needs. Its aim are to communicate knowledge – the meaning of truth; to inspire the class with the message of the truth, and secure a conduct of response or expression of the truth."

The daily schedule will be worship service, 9:30 a.m.; class sessions 9:45 to 10:39; recess for refreshments and crafts until 11:20 when daily reports will be given and the assembly dismissed.

Teachers have attended several workshops in preparation for the school. Registration is open until the starting day for those who have not made applications.

Parents will be invited to a closing program and work exhibit the evening of July 2.

Tonawanda News, Tuesday, June 16, 1964

EVANGELICAL & REFORMED

St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed Church Oliver and Porter streets, North Tonawanda, N. Y. J. J. Braun, Pastor; Mrs. Glen Warblow, organist; Mrs. W. Ivan Wilder, director of choirs. On Sunday, June 50, St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed Church will unite with seven other Evangelical and Reformed Churches of this area in the Fifth Annual Outdoor service in Pinewoods Park at 10:45 a. m. The Rev. Fred C. Schweinfurth of Cleveland will be the speaker. As Executive Secretary of the Department of Evangelism of the denomination Mr. Schweinfurth has the confidence of multitudes, and will undoubtedly have a good message St Peter's choir will join with other choirs in singing two anthems. The offering will be used for Emergency World Service. A Workers Conference will be held at St. Peter's Church including the Sunday school and organization workers of all Evangelical and Reformed Churches. The meeting will begin with a desert luncheon at 7:30. Rev. Schweinfurth will lead the meeting. St Peter's will hold its Sunday school at 9:15 next Sunday instead of the usual hour after church The Women's Guild will meet on July 2nd at 5 p. m. The Senior Girls' meeting will be postponed to July 10th.

The News of the Tonawandas, N. Y. Saturday, June 20, 1946

St. Peter's 'Pop' Concert, Nov. 13

The senior choir of St. Peter's church on Oliver street will hold their second annual "Pop-Concert" Thursday, Nov. 13 with Mrs. Lloyd Bremer as director. A fine program has been arranged by Mrs. Joe Kohler. Reservations may be made by phoning 1020 or 804-J after 6 p. m.

The Evening News, Friday, October 31, 1941

Church Services

Evangelical St. Peter's Church, 1208 Oliver Street. Theophil H. Twente, minister, 1206 Oliver street, Tel. 1257-W. 10 a.m. Worship services. Sermon topic: "Is Work a Curse or a Blessing?" 11:15 a.m. Sunday school. Tuesday, 8 p.m. Ladies' Aid. Saturday 8:30 a.m. Confirmation instruction

Saturday, September 1 1934

Rev. Braun Writes of God, Vacations in Modern World

REV. J. J. BRAUN

Jesus invited his hard-working disciples to a vacation with these words: "Come ye apart and rest a while." It is hardly necessary to persuade most of us to take a vacation if we can get one. There are, however, two things the Church would like to urge with regard to the subject 1. If vacations are fair and good for anybody, they are fair and good for everybody. It is very generally conceded that life has been speeded up and made more tense for all people, making periods of relaxation very important. Transportation and production are intensified. The radio and the newspaper makes everybody aware of the problems of the world, leaving us in a continual stew as to what is going to happen next. The great emphasis placed on the comic strips affords a wholesome relief to strained nerves. But the enormous total population of our many mental hospitals is an indication of the need for greater relief. Society would be vastly better off, if the individual could be kept in a more healthy state of mind. Our doctors would be less over-worked. We would all be better able to judge current events and become better members of our families and our communities. The time is past when anybody may expect to obtain and retain the advantages of a vacation for himself and his class alone. Each of us is dependent upon the health of society as a whole. Any considerable portion of the population that is kept under the old strains too long, may unwittingly become a hot-bed of social infection. The slums of Kobe, Japan and of New York and Chicago have become areas of real concern for the world. We are terrified by their capacity to breed human material that may be used by some crack-brained genius for his demoniacal schemes. We dare no longer think in the limited old terms. The Church has always insisted, that good things must be shared and that selfishness is a peril. For the Gospel of goodwill, the parish includes the whole world. If a vacation is good for anybody, it is fair and important for everybody. 2 If vacations are necessary for our health and sanity, they ought to be used for this purpose. By and large their purpose is accomplished through relaxation. There is, of course, the ease of the man that has too little to do in his regular job, and rightly vises his weeks off, to restore his self-respect by proving to himself that he can do a man's work in record time by building his widowed neighbor's garage- Most of us need relaxation without anxiety about the loss of wages nor expense of travel nor sense of guilt It was

not long ago that it was the accepted notion that idleness was necessarily immoral. Indeed it may still be immoral, for no man can live through two weeks to a month of inanity and remain healthy-minded. The great objective is to enable men to come to themselves to regain their poise after long months of specialized effort and limited outlook. One sided living under strain makes one-sided citizens. One of Buffalo's great teachers of Expression, John Rummel, constructed much of his teaching around something which he called "The Dominant Center." He stood beautifully poised before the class and touching his sternum (chest bone) said: "The sternum is the dominant center for athletic or well-poised bodily carriage. If the sternum is habitually up and in a strong position the arms and limbs and every muscle is remarkably and normally free and . At leisure." Then he touched a part of his head and said: "If this part of the head is habitually up and in a dominant position then the neck and all other muscles are free and at ease." But Mr. Rummel went much further: "There is s dominant center of the character, namely benevolence. To love your neighbor is by no means an arbitrary injunction. It is an absolute law of life. Unnatural strains can be eliminated only if the character and disposition are rightly poised in benevolence. The dominant center for the person, no matter what his religion may be, is God. That is universal law." No wonder the greet Augustine said: "Man is restless until he finds rest in God". No wonder the great rabbinical

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Services in the Churches

St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed church. Oliver and Porter streets. Theophil H. Twente , minister. 10 a. m., worship service with sermon,- What Is God Doing During the Duration*" 11:15 a.m., Sunday school. 8 p.m., chime program.

The Evening News, 1944

Outdoor Service in Pine-Woods Park Planned by Group

The third annual "Out-Door Worship Service " of the Evangelical and Reformed churches of the Niagara Frontier is being announced for Sunday morning, June 25th. The service will again be held in Pine-woods park in North Tonawanda where for the past t w o summers very successful union services were held by these churches. At a special meeting of the executive committee of the Evangelical and Reformed churches of t h e Niagara frontier held at St. Peter's church this week, final plans were made for this service. The Rev. Theophil Twente is the chairman of the executive committee and is also serving as general chairman for this outdoor service . Clifford Westphal of Salem church will have charge of the general arrangements in the park. The Rev. Carl Kindt is chairman of the program committee. Members of the church councils of the cooperating churches will serve as ushers and reception committee at the time of the morning service. The Rev. Walter Hetzel is chairman of this committee. Mrs. Theodore Mayer is the chairman of the music committee consisting of the organists and choir directors of the co-operating churches'. The choirs of the several churches will form a mass chorus which will render several anthems at the service. The churches cooperating in this out-door worship service are: Friedens church, St. Peter's church Gratwick; First Hungarian church, St. Peter's church, Knoche road, S a l e m church, St. Paul's church- Wendelville , St. Stephen's church- Millersport and St. Paul's church- Shawnee.

The Evening News, 1944

In The Social Realm

Meeting of Ladies' Aid Society of St. Peter's Church

The regular business meeting of the Ladies" Aid Society of St. Peter's Evangelical Church was held last evening in the church on Oliver street. Plans were made for a Chowder Sale to be held at the church, June 17th.

Mrs. William Meyers and Mrs. Emma Moeller were appointed a committee of arrangements the chowder sale. Officers of the organization include Mrs. Theodore .Mueller, president: Mrs. K. Buttler secretary

The Evening News, Wednesday June 3, 1931

Carol Sing Announced In St. Peter's Church

Singing carols from many countries, the choir and congregation of St. Peter's United Church of Christ will celebrate the Birth of Christ will celebrate the Birth of Christ at 7:30 p.m., Sunday in the church sanctuary.

The men's Chorus will open the service with the Russian carol, Christ Is Coming, followed by the choir singing the Renaissance carol "Lo Now Rose E'er Blooming, Praetorius.

Women of the choir will portray the mystery of Christmas Eve in the Southern Appalachian Carol, I Wonder As I Wander." The Men's Chorus will continue this mood with the French carol, Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence. The congregation will join the choir to sing the familiar carols: The First Noel. Angels We Have Heard on High* Good Christian Men Rejoice and Oh Come All Ye Faithful.

Climaxing the program will be the singing of Mendelssohn's Behold a star From Jacob Rising. Concluding the service will be the Coventry Carol sung by choir women and Silent Night by the entire choir. Arthur A. Palmer Jr., will direct assisted by Mrs. Glenn Warblow, organist. The Rev. Russell R. Myers, pastor, will narrate the service

Tonawanda News, Tuesday, December 18, 1962

St. Peters United Church of Christ, Oliver and Porter Sts.; the Rev. Donald Storm, pastor. Sunday: 9:15, Church School; 10:30, worship service, Concern For The Lost. Communion will be observed; Union Lenten service sponsored by the Ministerial Association. Rev. Rutherford Shumaker will be the speaker. Monday; 7:30, the Church Council meets in the parish hall; Tuesday; The Women's Guild meets in the p; parish hall. Women from St. Paul's Church, Wendelville will be our guests. The program will include a review of the book, "I Believe," by Mr. Storm; Wednesday; 7:30, Lenten service. "A Word of Suffering;" 8:15. Family Bible study period

Tonawanda Evening News, Saturday, February 28, 1959

St. Peter's Church Has Union Meeting Sunday Evening

St Peter's Evangelical and Reformed Church, Oliver and Porter Streets, will have the Union Sunday evening service this week at 7:30. The Pastor, Rev. J. J. Braun will speak on the subject: "God's Purpose for America". The choir will sing several anthems. Ten churches on the North side have united to take turns in conducting a union evening service, thus having at least one of their churches open each Sunday evening. "The world is too strong for a divided church", is a quotation frequently read in religious journals. There is a wide-spread and growing movement for cooperation among the churches. E. Stanley Jones recently toured America, addressing union meetings in many places, speaking on the subject of a united witness and a united work of the churches. He found that average laymen usually finds it easy to see that things which unite the churches were both greater and deeper than the things which divide.

The NIWt of the Tonawandas. N. T., Wednesday, Nov, 19, 1947

Women's Fall Rally In St. Peter's Church

The Niagara Regional Women s Women's Guild of the Evangelical and Reformed Churches of this area, will hold a Fall rally on Wednesday evening, Oct 20th, at St. Peter's Church, The evening will begin with dessert at 7:30, after which Mrs. Fred Barry of Wood River, Ill. Will speak to the group. As a special project the women are collecting embroidery cotton for the women of Hungary, and all women attending the meeting are urged to bring a quantity.

The Evening News, Tuesday, October 19, 1948

Silver Tea at St. Peter's Church

A silver tea will be given Thursday evening by Mrs. Charles Moeller, Mrs. Otto Gentzmer, and Mrs. Theodore Mueller at the St. Peter's church on Oliver street. Everyone is welcome.

The Evening News, Wednesday, June 7, 1933

St. Peter's Church Roll Call Sunday

St. Peter's Church is uniting with other churches presented in Twin City Association in the United Canvass. The name that will be applied to its particular annual financial canvass is "Kingdom Roll Call". Dec. 1, will be the high point of its roll call. The itemized budget of the congregation for 1947 together with, full information about the benevolent giving of the church as proposed for next year has been mailed to every prospective giver. Pledge cards will be brought or sent to the church and will be brought to the altar by the officers in a special Kingdom Roll Call Service. The members of the congregation raised about. \$6000 during 1946 and the officers are again calling for this amount plus certain additions for, equipment that will be needed for the new Sunday school rooms.

THE NEWS of the Tonawandas, N.Y., Saturday, Nov. 30, 1946

Fire Calls

NORTH TONAWANDA

First aid — 6:23 Sunday to St. Peter's Church (NT) for Mrs. Wilfred Reist, 44, of 94 Pine (NT), who had difficulty breathing. Taken to DeGraff Memorial Hospital; condition "good."

The Evening News, Wednesday, March 29, 1967

St. Peter's Church Lists Officers for New Year

The congregation of St. Peter's United Church of Christ, North Tonawanda, has reviewed activities for the past year and elected officers to serve during 1963.

Highlights of the current year will be the church's month-long celebration in May of its 75th anniversary. At the annual meeting last Sunday, a budget of \$23,857 for 1963 was approved. The following officers were elected:

Richard Meyers and Mrs. Laurence Hebler, deacons to the Church Council; Glen Warblow and Dennis Moeller, elders and Mrs. David Stickney and James Reist, members to the Board of Christian Education.

In an organizational session, the Church Council elected these officers:

Albert Stieg, president; Dennis Moeller, vice president; Robert Bilkey, secretary; Walter Moeller, treasurer and Raymond Fettes, envelop secretary.

William Moeller was named chairman of the board of Deacons; and Dale Schroeder, property committee chairman.

Frank Meyers was elected delegate to the Spring Synod Meeting and Henry Schutte alternate. Mrs. William Moeller was appointed church reporter and William Kohler, church historian.

The Rev. Russell L. Myers, pastor of the church, presided. Booklets containing annual reports and statistics for the year 1962 were distributed. Mr. Myers reported nine members lost through death or transfer and 26 gained through confirmation and transfer. In charge of plans for the 75th anniversary celebration are:

Lester Moeller, Mrs. Rowland Stubbs, Mrs. Robert Brick, Glen Warblow, Mrs. Howard Stoeckel, Mrs. Walter Beyer, Mrs. Glenn Meyers, Mrs. William Krupp, Mrs. Warren Moeller, Mrs. William Kohler, David Stickney and Howard Mark. The pastor and William Moeller are serving as co-chairman. A tentative program follows:

May 5 – Sunrise service at 6 a.m., and congregational breakfast, and at the 10:30 a.m., rededication of the church; recognition of the confirmation classes, youth fellowship and the Board Christian Education and Sunday School. May 12 – Worship services at 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. To be followed by coffee hours, recognition of the Men's Club, softball team and Adult Bible Class.

May 26 – 8 a.m. Service, with a coffee hour; 10:30 a.m. Service, to be followed by a congregational ca-

tered dinner, The Rev. Julius Kuck, D.D., president of the West New York Synod, will be guest speaker. Printed programs have been distributed to the congregation announcing anniversary events.

A potluck supper preceded the annual meeting. The Women's Guild contacted each family in the church for attendance. The Friendship Circle and Senior Youth Fellowship assisted in preparations. Mrs. Brick was the general chairman. Mrs. Glen Warblow, organist, played for fellowship singing and the pastor conducted devotions.

Tonawanda News, Thursday, January 17, 1963

Spinnet Featured In Choir Concert

A special feature in the presentation of "The Messiah" on Dec. 8th by the choirs from St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed church — Gratwick and Friedens Evangelical and Reformed church, will be the use of a spinet in the accompaniment of some of the numbers. The spinet which is to be used is the personal property of Mrs. Ivan Wilder, the director of the joint chorus.

The spinet is the immediate predecessor of the piano. It was invented and made in Venice by an Italian, Michael Mercator, during the years 1491-1544. The year 1784 is given as the date at which the active career of the spinet closes.

The final preparations for the presentation of the Christmas section of "The Messiah" are now being made by the two choirs from St. Peter's church and Friedens church. The second joint rehearsal called forth much spirit and enthusiasm after months of preparatory work.

The joint choirs will present their program in a vesper service at 4 o'clock at Friedens church, Sunday, Dec. 8th. The public is cordially invited.

THE NEWS of the Tonawandas, N.Y., Saturday, Nov. 30, 1946

SACRED CONCERT AT ST. PETER'S CHURCH SUNDAY

Wurlitzer Accordion Choir Will Present Program to Which Public Is Invited The Wurlitzer Accordion Church Choir will present a sacred concert in St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed church, 1206 Oliver street, Sunday evening, at 7 o'clock. The public is invited. The program is as follows:

Invocation, Onward Christian Soldiers; two hymns of faith, Jesus Savior, Pilot Me and He Hideth My Soul; scripture reading with musical background by the choir; three hymns of the modern church, O Jesus Thou Art Standing Fairest Lord Jesus and Dear Lord and Father of Mankind. Duet, In the Garden; two Russian Compositions, Cherubic Hymn by Bortniansky and Pilgrim Sons by Tschakowski; three German compositions, Now Thank We All Our God (extended) by Bach, O Sacred Head, Surrounded by Bach and The Glory of God in Nature by Beethoven; offertory and announcements.

Solo, Chorale from the Tonepoem, "Finlandia" by Sibelius; motet, O Bone Jew by Palestrina; finale. The Holy City by Stephen Adams.

The Evening News, Friday, November 3, 1939

EVANGELICAL and REFORMED

St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed Church. J. J. Braun, pastor, Oliver and Porter Sts. Sunday is Children's Day. The Sunday School and the weekly church service of worship will be held together beginning at 10 o'clock. The Sunday School will participate in the program. The theme of the service will be: "We've Story to Tell to the Nations." Will the parents please take note of the fact that even the small children are to be present at the ten o'clock service. The out-door service, which is scheduled for June 27th, will be the special consideration of the meeting of the United Church Councils to be held at St. Peter's Church Sunday afternoon at three o'clock. This is the meeting that calls for the presence of all the members of each of the church councils of the Evangelical and Reformed Churches of the Niagara Frontier.

The Evening News, Saturday, June 12, 1948

St. Peter's Church hosts Community Bible School

Final plans for a "Community Bible School" at St. Peter's United Church of Christ, 1206 Oliver St., North Tonawanda, Monday through Friday are announced by Mrs. Shirley Meyers, director, and Mrs. Sharon Wright, co-director.

Third Presbyterian Church will participate in the school. The Rev. George Snyder, host pastor, and the Rev. Thomas Wood of Third Presbyterian will assist with the program, in addition to Henry Schutte.

Classes are scheduled for nursery for three to four-year olds through eighth graders All children are welcome, regardless of their church affiliation. A registration fee will be charged to defray the cost of materials. Registration will be taken by telephone or letter at both churches, or children may register the first day of school at the school. Theme of the school is "Jesus Touch Me"

Bible teachers will be: Annette Meyers, Sue Ann Neumann, Sharon Moeller, Beth Moeller, Carol Moeller, Mrs. Harriet Stieg, Mrs. Pat Brand, Mrs. Emily Snyder, Mrs. Terry Moeller and Mrs. Dorothy Moeller. Craft teachers will be: Mrs. Lee Clark, Mrs. Margaret Bajorek, Susan Bajorek, Mrs. Jean Morris, Steven Moeller, Mrs. Delia Miranto, Mrs. Midge Czerwinski, Randy Ribbeck, Alan Brand, Mrs. Norman Hebel, Mrs. Linda Masters, Kathie Conti and Pam Moeller. Mrs. Kris Nebelecky will be an instructor.

Michael Moeller and Kelly Broecker will serve as recreation directors. Mrs. Dorothy Moeller will lead the singing and Mrs. Edna Warblow will be pianist. Serving refreshments will be Mrs. Mildred Knapp, Mrs. William Pickard and Mrs. June Stoeckel

The mission project will be "Seeds of Change." A free-will offering will be taken each day to buy "seeds" for a world service project.

On June 26, the pupils will have a surprise guest from "Mr. F." Parents will have visitation from 9:15 a.m. to noon that day A noon picnic will be conducted on the church grounds.

Tonawanda NEWS Wednesday, June 18, 1975

Behn-Thorman Wedding On Saturday A Pretty Affair

Solemnized in St. Peter's Church with Rev. T. H. Twente Officiating—Dinner for 26 Guests Served Following Ceremony—Will Be at Home After Sept. 15

A pretty wedding was solemnized Saturday afternoon, September 4, at 4 o'clock in St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed church, when Miss Ruthelora A. Thorman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thorman of 223 East Felton street, was united in marriage to Herbert C. Behm, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Behm of Sixteenth avenue, the Rev. T. H. Twente, officiating.

The church was decorated with large vases of gladioli. Mrs. Glen Warblow, organist, played the wedding march. Before the ceremony, Clarence Fischer sang, "At Dawning," and after the ceremony, "Because."

The bride, who entered the church on the arm of her father, was lovely in a white satin gown, fashioned in princess style with a long train, a long veil falling from a halo of starched lace and orange blossoms, with heart-shaped lace inserts forming the border of the veil. She wore white satin slippers and carried a shower bouquet of white roses and gypsophila.

Miss Werth, Maid of Honor The maid of honor, Miss Virginia Werth, of Lockport, wore a pink net dress over pink satin, with a row of tiny blue velvet bows down the front, white slippers and a spray of pink flowers in her hair. She carried a bouquet of pink roses, delphinium and baby's breath, tied with pink ribbon.

The bridesmaid, Mrs. Evelyn Putnam, wore a yellow net dress over yellow satin, with a row of blue velvet bows down the front, a spray of yellow flowers in her hair, white slippers and carried a bouquet of yellow roses, delphinium and baby's breath.

Elton Behm, cousin of the groom, was best man.

The ushers were: Kenneth Moeller and William Meyers.

The bride's mother wore a flowered chiffon dress and the groom's mother navy blue crepe with lace bodice and sleeves. Each wore a corsage of roses. Mrs. Fred Nicat, grandmother of the bride, wore a black dress with white lace yoke, also a corsage of roses.

Dinner After Ceremony

Following the ceremony, a dinner was given for twenty-six guests at Tenbrook's in Kenmore. Covers were laid for twelve at the bride's table which was decorated with mixed garden tall white tapers

and centered with a wedding cake. In the evening a reception was held at the home of the bride.

Mr. and Mrs. Behm left for a motor trip to New York City and Albany, and will be at home after September 15th in Ruie road. The bride's going away costume was a brown suit, with beige blouse and brown accessories.

The Evening News, Tuesday, September 7, 1937

Meeting of Women's Union

The Women's Union of St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed church will hold its September meeting this evening at 8 o'clock in the school hall on Porter avenue. There will be an experience social and all members are urged to attend. Later, luncheon will be served with Mrs. Glen Warblow, chairman of the social committee, assisted by Mrs. Arthur Seimbt and Mrs. John Barrett.

The Evening News, Tuesday, September 7, 1937

Choir to Render Cantata On Sunday Evening

The Senior Choir of St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed church, Oliver and Porter streets, will sing the beautiful Christmas cantata, "The King Cometh" by Stolz, the leadership of Mrs. Bremer, on Sunday evening, December 28, at 7:30 o'clock.

The Evening News, Saturday, December 27, 1941

St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed Church, corner Oliver and Porter streets. Theophil H. Twente, minister. 10 a.m., Worship service with sermon, "Opening the Sluice Gate". 11 a.m., Sunday School. 7:30 p.m. Christmas cantata, "The King Cometh". Monday, 7:30 p.m., Inter-church Christmas party. Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.. New Year's Eve Candlelight service.

The Evening News, Saturday, December 27, 1941

St. Peter's Church Choir Holds Birthday Party

The choir of St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed church, held a delightful birthday party last evening in the basement of the church on Oliver street. One hundred and twenty-five guests were seated at twelve tables decorated appropriately with colors and favors to represent the months of the year

The hostess and table decorations were as follows: January, Mrs. Joseph Kohler, snow and silvered trees; February, Miss Ruth Smith, Valentines; March, Mrs. T. H. Twente, St. Patrick's day favors; April, Mrs. Glenwood Warblow, Easter rabbits and colors; May, Clarence Fischer, bouquet of sweet peas; June, Miss Marian Meyers, wedding cake, miniature bride and groom and bridesmaids; July, Carl Moeller, flags and Fourth of July colors; August, Miss Selma Toellner, miniature lake with boating and swimming; September, Carl Neumann, miniature school house; October, Mrs. Charles Moeller, Hallowe'en colors and favors; November, Mrs. Walter Toellner, horn of plenty and turkeys; December, William Moeller, Christmas tree and holiday favors

Following the serving of refreshments, a program of entertainment was enjoyed. A group of musical numbers was presented by Mrs. Lillian Varley Taylor, soprano and Clarence Fischer, tenor, with Mrs. Lloyd Bremer as director and accompanist. The program given was: duet from, Il Trovatore; Carmena, by Lane, solo, Mrs. Taylor; Indian Love Call, from Friml's Rose Marie, Clarence Fischer; Where My Caravan Has Rested, by Lohr, duet, Mrs. Taylor and Mr. Fischer.

Several selections were played by an instrumental trio, composed of Mrs. Frederick Andres, violin, Miss Rachael Twente, cello and Mrs. Glenwood Warblow, pianist. Miss Dorothy Nowak entertained with several accordion numbers

A fashion parade of wedding gowns of other years was presented. Mrs. Twente, Mrs. Warblow, Miss Eleanor Leighow and Miss Rachel Twente took part in a skit, entitled Betsy Ross. A duet, Blind Pig, was sung by Dorothy Twente and Walter Moeller, accompanied by Mrs. Charles Moeller.

The Evening News, Friday, March 28, 1941

GRATWICK HOME BUREAU

Gratwick Home Bureau unit will welcome all women of the are interested in the work of Home Bureau at its first Fall meeting Thursday at 1 p m. in St. Peter's Church, Oliver and Porter Sts.

The News of the Tonawandas. Monday, Sept. 10, 1951

Repeat Performance of Comedy at St. Peter's

On April 19 at 8 o'clock the Youth Fellowship of Friends Evangelical and Reformed Church will give a repeat performance at St. Peter's Church on Oliver and Porter of the comedy "Annabelle Steps In." This play by Ann C. Marten is a hilarious take-off on a group of movie-struck youngsters who have gathered for the week-end at the home of Kay and Donald Marshall. Tony Sutton, a neighbor, is bored with their talk about Anna Belle Mason. He decides to curt them, and so dresses up in hi« sister's best and impersonates the star. The public is cordially invited to come and get in on the fun. Tickets, including tax, for adults 42c and for children?n 30c, for sale at St. Peter's Church.

The Evening News, Saturday, April 15, 1944

Pastor Will Preach On Famed Painting

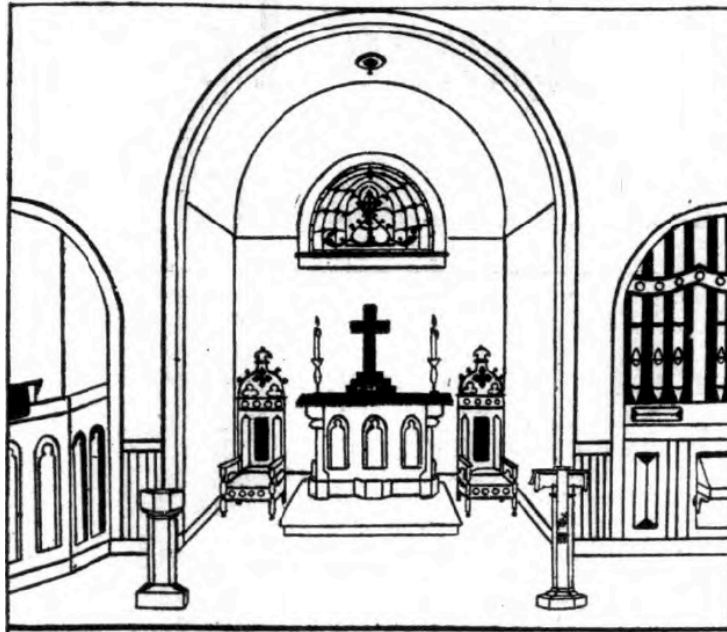
Rev. Theophil H Twente, pastor of St. Peter's church. Gratwick and St. Peter's church. Knoche Road, has announced an illustrated -sermon for Labor Sunday. September 6 based on a famous religious painting. A cony of the painting will be given to those attending the services. The s e r v e s in both churches next Sunday morning will be featured by the reading of a Labor Day message issued by the Federal Council Of Churches of Christ in America and a sermon based on Millet's famous painting, the "Anpelus" The public is cordially invited. Time of of service at St. Peter's church, Knoche Road, 9 a m.. at St. Peter's church Gratwick. 10 a.m.

The Evening News, September, August 8, 1940

ST. PETER'S COOPERATES IN CHURCH CANVASS

St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed Church, Gratwick, under the chairmanship of Fred Fishce, is cooperating whold-hartedly in the united effort which is being made by churches of the Tonawandas to secure the necessary underwriting for their work during the coming year. Said the Rev. Theophil H. Twente, pastor of the church, "I am glad that the churches of the community are more and more showing that same spirit of cooperation w h i ch was so evident on the mission field in India. The church cannot hope to win a victory against the forces of evil unless it goes forward as a well coordinated and cooperating unit. Any lack of cooperation in the great task of the Church is a sure proof of a lack of vision concerning the greatness of that task." Last year the Women's Guild of St.

Peter's Church paid off the final installment of the mortgage on the parsonage. This year the church council is endeavoring to achieve a similar goal with regard to the mortgage still resting on the church building. A special victory service is being planned for Sunday evening, Dec. 20. The Rev. Theophil H. Twente recently completed 10 years of service as pastor of St. Peter's Church, North Tonawanda, and St. Peter's Church, Knoche Road. Members of the church council who will conduct the Roil Call during the period from Nov. 29 to Dec. 6 are Kenneth Moeller, Charles Moeller, Charles Botscher Fred Fischer, Gordis E. Knapp, Elton Moeller, Chester Leaderstorf, Ernest Ribbeck, Gus Gentzmer, Elmer Thorman and Glen Warblow



500 Church Canvassers to Meet Tonight to Talk Drive

Some 300 church canvassers and members of official church boards, who will cooperate in the "United Church Canvass" on Sunday, Nov. 29, are expected to meet tonight at 7:45 o'clock at Salem Church house. The meeting is being held under the auspices of the general committee for this canvass. The guest speaker will be the Rev. Herbert A. Bosch of Concordia Lutheran church, Buffalo. On Sunday afternoon, Nov. 29, at 2 o'clock hundreds of canvassers will go

forth from the 12 cooperating churches in the Tonawandas to make a personal canvass of their church homes to so licit the annual pledges for the work of the church. Many of the church members will make their annual pledges in the morning church services, as some of the churches have arranged. In the afternoon the remaining portion of the membership and the friends of the church will be canvassed. . . . All Canvassers Will Meet . . .

In preparation for this canvass of church homes the canvassers from the 12 churches will meet tonight for special training. This is* the first time in the history of the church life of the Tonawandas that such a cooperative project has been undertaken. Details for the canvass will be discussed but the special point of interest will be the address by the guest speaker. The local church chairmen are urging all their canvassers to attend this meeting tonight. The subject of Dr. Bosch's address has been announced as "Personal Evangelism and the Church's Giving." The speaker is introducing a new word, "Purse-onal". The address will lead to a discussion of the fine art of giving as applied to the church. Dr. Bosch will also give a demonstration of a typical church canvass.

The Evening News, Monday, November 23, 1942

ST. PETER'S CHURCH CHOIR TO PRESENT CONCERT AT WORLD'S FAIR



Members of the choir of St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed Church, Oliver street and Porter avenue, will present an hour's program of sacred music in the Temple of Religion in the New York World's Fair at 6 o'clock Saturday afternoon. Shown above, left to right, are the choir members:

Front row, Mrs. Glenwood Warblow, Mrs. T. H. Twente, Rev. T. H. Twente, Mrs. Lloyd Bremer, director, Miss Norma Meyers and Miss Rachel Twente. Second row, Miss Dorothy Nowak, Miss Ruth Smith, Miss Marian Meyers, Mrs. Joseph Kohler and Miss Gudrun Andres; third row, Mrs. Walter Toellner, Miss Hulda Toellner, Mrs. Charles Moeller and Miss Selma Toellner. Fourth row, Duane Leaderstorf, Carl Neumann, Lester Moeller and Eugene Toellner. Back row, Carl Moeller, Robert Moeller, Clarence Fischer and Kenneth Moeller. During the concert, Rev. Twente, pastor of St. Peter's church will give a 15-minute address on the subject, Man's Brotherhood in God. The choir members will leave here at 6 o'clock Friday evening. They will hold their final rehearsal tomorrow night.

The Evening News, Wednesday, August 14, 1940

Gratwick

Mrs. Gordia Knapp will open her home in 116 Linwood avenue on Thursday evening for a silver tea for the members of the Ladies' Aid Society of St. Peter's church and their friends.

The Evening News, Saturday June 3, 1930

Churches

St. Peter's Church, 1206 Oliver, Theophil H. Twente, minister. Tele. 1257-W. 10, worship service. A sermon in story form. Special meeting of congregation immediately after church service. 11:15 a.m. Sunday school. Saturday and Sunday afternoon and evening B.S. Convention at Trinity Evangelical Church, Buffalo. Tuesday, 2 p. m. Union prayer service of the Evangelical and Reformed churches of the Tonawandas at St. Peter's, Gratwick. Wednesday 8 p. m. Y. P. S. meeting.

The Evening News, Saturday May 25, 1935

Senior Girls of St. Peter's Church Will Have Meeting and Silver Tea.

The Senior Girls of St. Peter's church on Oliver street will have their class meeting and a silver tea at the home of Miss Grace Golem in 153 Stenzil street Wednesday evening promptly at eight o'clock.

The Evening News, Saturday May 25, 1935

Gratwick.

The Ladies' Aid society of St Peter's church, Oliver street, will hold its regular meeting Tuesday night, November first, instead of Monday evening.

The Evening News, Monday, October 31, 1927

St. Peter's United Church of Christ.

St. Peter's Church of Christ, 1208 Oliver St., the Rev. George S. Snyder, pastor. Sunday: 9:15, Church School; 10:30, Worship, sermon; "A Faith for These Times"; 6, First Year Confirmation Class; 7:30, Choir Festival, Salem Church. Monday: 8, Church Council. Tuesday; 7:30, Women's Quiet Hour and Communion.

The Evening News, Saturday, February 27, 1971

St. Peter's Church to welcome new pastor

Albert Stieg, president of St. Peter's United Church of Christ. North Tonawanda, announces the congregation has made final preparations for the arrival of the new pastor and his family, the Rev. and Mrs. George Snyder.

The Snyders are expected to arrive this week from Astabula. Ohio, where Mr. Snyder served the First Congregational Church. Mr. Snyder will begin his ministry at the 9 a.m. Family worship service Sunday at the church, Oliver Street and Porter Avenue.

Following the service, a reception will be given sponsored by the Women's Fellowship, which includes the Women's Guild, the Friendship Circle and the Dorcas Circle, assisted by women representing the congregation and* the Youth Fellowship representing the youth of the church. The public is invited to attend the service and reception to become acquainted with the Snyders.

The Women's Fellowship sponsored a pantry shower for the parsonage kitchen and members of the congregation and their families brought homemade and homegrown items as well as store purchased items as their welcome for the Snyders.

Mrs. Isabella Hebler, Mrs. John Rozycki, Mrs. Mildred Knapp, Mrs. Allan Brand and Mrs. William Moeller were responsible for cleaning and preparing the newly-decorated parsonage.

Mr. Stieg reminds members of the congregation the regular morning worship will return to the 10:30 a.m. hour Sunday. Sept. 13. The Church school also will resume it's fall session at the time beginning with a Rally Day program featuring Mr. Snyder's introduction to the young people and the dedication of new Church School hymnals and the Kindergarten Department's new furniture. The furniture was purchased in memory of Irwin Hils, a teacher for many years in the Church School.

Sunday School superintendent. Fred Durkee. will lead the devotions and the promotional part of the program. Mrs. Robert Schuster will be the pianist featuring hymns from the new hymnals.

The pulpit of St. Peter's Church was supplied by the Rev. Stephen Chamberlain, the Rev. Charles W. Hobbs and David Schriber, who will be ordained in October at his home church, St. Paul's United Church of Christ. Mapleton Road.

Tonawanda News ,Wednesday, September 2, 1970

St. Peter's Church Choir Sponsors Fish Supper

The Adult Choir of St. Peter's United Church of Christ, will sponsor a Fish Supper from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday in the church hall, Oliver and Porter Streets, North Tonawanda.

The male choir members in charge will be Walter Moeller, chairman, assisted by Edward Moeller, Ernest Ribbeck, William Moeller, Lester Moeller and Choir Director James Grapes.

Women of the choir who will serve are: Misses Paulette and Marcia Moeller, Miss Karen Stieg, Mrs. Ernest Ribbeck, Mrs. William Moeller, Mrs. Walter Moeller, Mrs. Allen Brand, Mrs. Dale Schroeder, Mrs. Glen Warblow and Mrs. Robert Schuster. Mrs. Gordis Knapp will be hostess.

Others participating will be: Dale Schroeder, Glenn Warblow, Howard Wark, Theodore Young and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Nebelky.

Mrs. John Rozycki is in charge of tickets which may be purchased at the door. The public is invited.

Proceeds of the supper will be used to purchase new choir gowns.

The Evening News, Wednesday, March 23, 1966

St Peter's United Church of Christ, Oliver and Porter Sts.; the Rev. Donald Storm, pastor*. Sunday: 9:15, Church school, 10:45, Worship service, sermon: "Who Makes Our Giants?" Wednesday: 10, Prayer and Leadership class

The Evening News, Saturday, June 14, 1958

Gratwick

The Ladles' Aid society of St Peter's church, Oliver street, will hold its regular meeting Tuesday night, November first, instead of Monday evening.

The Evening News, Monday, October 31, 1927

Pastor to Be Installed In St. Peter's Church



On Sunday evening, the Rev. Russell R. Myers will be officially installed as pastor of St. Peter's United Church of Christ, North Tonawanda. The service will begin at 7:30 o'clock in the church, Oliver St., near Porter Ave.

Participants in the installation service will be The Rev. Julius Kuck

D.D., president of the Western New York Synod, United Churches of Christ; The Rev. John S. Huebschmann, interim minister of the church; and Rowland E. Stubbs, president of St. Peter's Church. Music for the service of installation will be in charge of Mrs. Glenn Warblow, organist and the choir, directed by John Potts. Dr. Kuck will install the minister and preach the sermon entitled "Entrusted With a Commission." The choral offertory will be "Go Ye Into All the World" and the choral anthem, "Teach Me O Lord." Mr. Myers, his wife, Anna, and their four children, Barbara, 16, Russell Jr., 15, Constance, 12 and Daniel, 11, came to North Tonawanda and their new parish home the last week in August from Buckland, Ohio where he had been serving a parish'.

The pastor was born 40 years ago in Coshocton, Ohio and was educated at Yankton College and Crozer Theological Seminary. He served with the U.S. Army in World War II in China, Burma, India and Europe in the Azore Islands and Newfoundland. He also had later service in the Air Force as a chaplain.

He is a member of the Military Chaplains Association; Universal Harmony Foundation, Kadets of America; Boys Brigade of America, Boy Scouts and Evangelical Prison Society. He also is a member of the American Association of Corrective Chaplains and an honorary member of the International Foundry Workers Union. He served as an industrial conciliator in Lansdale, Pa. The pastor served churches in Lebanon, Pa., Beloit and Buckland, O., before coming to North Tonawanda. The Myers' are "a scouting family." Mrs. Myers is active in the Girl Scout movement; and Russell Jr., is assistant scoutmaster of Troop 585 in Drake School. Daughter Barbara is president of the Youth Fellowship in St. Peter's Church. Mr. Myers organized the first active Boys Brigade movement in Ohio.

The Evening News, Thursday, November 3, 1960

Wedding Is Solemnized In St. Peter's Church

The Rev. Donald Storm officiated at 1 p.m. For the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Babcock, 29 East Felton St., and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bogdon Sr., 14th Ave.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a gown of French imported organdy with dainty leaf embroidered motif, a Sabrina neckline and elbow length sleeves. The full skirt was fashioned in three tiers of the material. Her fingertip veil, with hand rolled hem, was caught to a crown of pearls and sequins and her gauntlets matched the dress. She carried a white orchid with a shower of lily-of-the-valley on a white prayer book, the gift from the bridegroom.



Miss Nancy Bogdon, the bridegroom's sister, as maid of honor, wore a peacock blue, taffeta gown, ballerina length, with matching headpiece and white gloves. She carried a cascade of yellow and white shasta chrysanthemums

Dennis Kenny attended the bridegroom as best man. Ushers were Jack Short, and David Bogdon, brother of the bridegroom

The bride's mother chose a navy blue crepe, street length dress accented with navy satin trimming. A pink hat and gloves and a corsage of pink and white roses completed her costume. The bridegroom's mother chose cocoa crepe sheath dress and beige elbow length gloves. Beige flowers were contrasts on her brown hat and her corsage combined yellow flowers. Flowers and tapers adorned the tables in the Barge Inn for the reception from 3 to 5 p.m. Buffet refreshments were served to 75, with out-of-town guests present from Toronto, Ont., Ilion, Syracuse, Bensen, Walworth and Sydney

Mr. and Mrs. Bogdon are traveling to Washington, D. C, for their wedding journey. As a going away costume, the bride has chosen a gray fitted suit with black accessories. An orchid corsage will complete her ensemble. When they return, the couple will be at home in 127 East Felton St.

Hostesses at pre-nuptial parties for the bride were Mrs. Edward Moeller, Miss Sally Beeves, Miss Nancy Bogdon and Mrs. Bogdon Sr., Mrs. John Bogdon and Mrs. Anastasia Polytilo.

The Evening News, Saturday, October 26, 1957

EVANGELICAL AND REFORMED

St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed Church, Oliver and Porter Sts., J. J. Braun, pastor. Worship service at 10 a.m., each Sunday, "A Religion that Changes Life." Sunday school at 11:15. Frank Meyers has just been reelected superintendent for another two years. Mrs. Howland Stubbs is Superintendent of the Beginners Department, Mrs. J. J. Braun of the Primary Department, and the General Superintendent has charge of the Junior, Intermediate, Senior and Adult Departments which meet together. Rowland Stubbs is assistant superintendent, D. Gemtzmeyer is secretary of records and supplies. In addition there are 14 teachers. The enrollment is 144. St. Peter's Church is invited to hear the Heidelberg College Concert Choir which will sing at Salem Church Tuesday at 8 p.m. Heidelberg is the closest college of the Evangelical and Reformed denomination. at Tiffin, O. Many will want to hear its great Concert Choir. No charge for admission. A free-will offering will be taken. The counsellors of St. Peter's Church, elected to represent this congregation in the Buffalo and Erie County Council of Churches will attend the annual dinner meeting of the Council on Feb. 3 where Mrs. Harper Sibley, will be the main speaker. It will be held in the Central Presbyterian Church at Main and Jewett. Please see the article on the Annual Missionary Family Nights elsewhere in The NEWS. On Jan. 29 and Feb. 5 and 12. These meetings begin with a supper, at 6 p.m. Continue with four age-group class sessions and end with an assembly period in which a sound motion picture will be shown. The subject this year is "Our Mission to the Migrants." The expenses for these meetings is borne by freewill offerings.

The Evening News, Saturday, January 28, 1950

ST. PETER'S CHURCH

Mid-week services will be held at St. Peter's church in Gratwick each Wednesday evening beginning at 7:30. The theme for the seven services is to be "The Hope of the Cross." For this week the special subject will be "The Cross Changes Things." The choir will sing in each service. All young people are invited to the meeting of the Youth Fellowship where Rev. Lester W. Driftmeyer will deliver an illustrated lecture using Kodachrome pictures.

Western New York Synod Now Meeting in Buffalo

Sessions Conducted at Salem Church from Tuesday to Thursday; Communion Service Attended by Representatives of 73 Churches Opens Conference

The spring meeting of the West New York Synod of the Evangelical and Reformed church is being held at Salem church, Buffalo from Tuesday to Thursday of this week. The Rev. Albert Meussling is pastor of the entertaining church where all the sessions will be held. The Rev. Carl G. Haass, pastor of Trinity church, Rochester, is president of the synod. The conference opened this afternoon with a Communion service in which ministers and lay delegates from 73 churches of this area participated. This service was followed by the opening business session in which the president and the other officers presented their annual reports. Reports from the 15 standing committees were also received and referred to the respective committees. There will be a worship service tonight in which the Rev. J. J. Braun of St Louis, will be the guest speaker. Dr. Braun is the executive secretary of the national board of National Missions of the church. Churches from this area of the Twin Cities which are a part of the West New York Synod are Salem church and St. Peter's church, Tonawanda; Friedens, St Peter's—Gratwick and the Hungarian church of North Tonawanda; St Paul's church of Shawnee; St. Paul's church of Wendelville and St Peter's church of Millersport The pastors attending the synod meeting are the Rev. Walter Hetzel, Rev. Theophilus Twente, Rev. Karl Kindt, and Rev. Theodore Mayer. Lay-delegates from Salem church are Fred Schultz and William Thuersam; from St. Peter's church — Gratwick, John Siebel and from St Paul's church, Shawnee, Mrs. Magnus Kraemer and Mrs. Donald Moje. The time of today's forenoon was given largely to committee work. The Rev. Waiter Hetzel of Salem church is chairman of the committee reporting on the president's report The Rev. T. Twente is a member of the committee reviewing the business management of the synod and the denomination. The Rev. T. Mayer is a member of the committee reporting on the educational institutions. Fred Schultz from Salem church is a member of the committee reporting on the work of Christian education and publication. Mrs. Magnus Kraemer is serving on the committee reviewing the work of auxiliary organizations. John Siebel, of St Peter's church is a member of the committee reporting on business management.

The Evening News, Tuesday, April 21, 1942

Dr. E. Theodore. Mueller Is Victim of Heart Ailment

Prominent North Tonawanda Physician and Former Pastor of St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed Church, Died Last Evening in Deaconess Hospital

Stricken with a heart attack five weeks ago, Dr. E. Theodore Mueller, 61, of 1153 Oliver street, died early last evening at the Deaconess hospital, Buffalo. Dr. Mueller was one of the best known physicians in the Niagara Frontier area. He was engaged as attending pathologist at the Deaconess hospital and filled a similar position at the DeGraff Memorial hospital in addition to looking after a large practice in the Tonawandas and vicinity. Born In Germany Born in Crailsheim, Germany, he came to the United States in 1914, having graduated from the University of Heidelberg In 1920 he accepted a call from the congregation of St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed church on Oliver street to act as their pastor. For nine years ha served the church. His medical practice became so great that he withdrew from the pastorate of St Peter's church in 1928 and thereafter devoted his time to his profession. He had been attending pathologist at the Buffalo hospital since 1924. Ha had acted as pathologist the DeGraff Memorial for the past four years and 10 months. Dr. Mueller was a member of the Torch Club of Buffalo, the Rotary Club of the Tonawandas, the Academe, the Twin City Academy of Medicine, the Niagara County Medical society and the American Society of Clinical Pathologist. Dr. Mueller Is survived by his wife, Iva; two sons, Hans and Helmut at home, and a daughter, Mrs. P. W. Menzel of Elmhurst, Ill.

The Evening News, Thursday, December 18, 1941

In the Social Realm

Ladies' Aid Society of St. Peter's Church Will Have Chowder Sale The Ladles' Aid society of St. Peter's church, Oliver street will hare a chowder sale tomorrow at The church, beginning at 11 a.m.

The Evening News, Wednesday, April 22, 1931

KILLED BY HEAT

J. C Moeller of Oliver Street Suffered Fatal Son Stroke

AT LA SALLE YESTERDAY.

Was on His Way to This City With a Load of Wood - A Widower and is Survived by one Child- Funeral Services.

The Intensely hot weather of the past week claimed its first victim in the Twin Cities yesterday when John C. Moeller of 1307 Oliver street suffered a sunstroke while on his way from La Salle to this city with a load of wood and died without regaining consciousness. Mr. Moeller had been working very hard getting out wood during the past week and had made one trip and return yesterday morning. He had dinner at home and left about 1 o'clock for La Salle, evidently in the best of health and spirits.

He had secured his load of wood and was driving along the river road in the business section of La Salle when a strap on the harness of his team became unfastened. He was seen to get down from the load and start toward the horses heads. He had taken but a few steps when he fell forward on his face. Bystanders rushed to his assistance.

He was unconscious however and died before he could be removed to a near by hotel. The body was brought to this city last night and taken to the late residence

The deceased was 36 years of age.

He was a native of Germany and had lived in this country for 16 years.

He was a widower and leaves one child, Emma, aged 14 years.

The funeral services will take place Sunday afternoon at 1 o'clock from the house and at 2 o'clock from St. Peter's Church on Oliver street. Rev. Witlinger will have the services in charge.

The Evening News, Saturday, August 11, 1900

St. Peter's United Church of Christ, Oliver and Porter Streets, the Rev. Russell R. Myers, pastor. Sunday: 9:15, Church, School; 10:30, Divine Worship, sermon: "The Advent of the Spirit"; 7, Junior Youth Fellowship. Tuesday: 6:30, Friendship Circle Christmas party. Saturday: 10, Catechism and Confirmation Classes.

The Evening News, Saturday, December 10, 1960

United Church of Christ

St. Peters United Church of Christ, 1208 Oliver St., the Rev. George S Snyder, pastor. Sunday: 9:15, Church School; 10:30, Worship with cantata, "Sing Forth His Praises"; 6, First Year Confirmation Class; 7, Youth Fellowship; 7:30, Union Lenten Service, First United Methodist Church. Tuesday: 7:30, Church School teachers. Wednesday: 7:30, Lenten Service, sermon by members of Confirmation Class. Saturday: 10:30, Confirmation Class.

The Evening News, Saturday, March 27, 1971

United Church of Christ

St. Peter's United Church of Christ, 1208 Oliver St., the Rev. George S. Snyder, pastor. Sunday: 9:15, Church School; 10:30, Worship, sermon: "The Idea of Salvation"; 6, First Year Confirmation Class; 7, Youth gathering. Wednesday: 8, Women's Fellowship. Saturday: 10:30, Second Year Confirmation Class

The Evening News, November 14, 1970

St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed Church, the Rev. J. J. Braun, pastor. Worship service at 10 a. m. Trinity Sunday. Subject "The Needs of Men Find Their Counterpart in the Nature of God." Sunday School at 11:15. Women's Guild meeting Tuesday at 7:30 p. m. Frier-Vn Circle in the home of Mrs. MHBI Hebel. Wednesday at 8 p. m., The Executive Committee of the United Church Councils has completed plans both for the united outdoors worship service at 10:45 a. m. Sunday, June 18, and for the workshop meeting with the guest speaker, the Rev. Robert C. Stanger, D.D., at St. Paul's Church, Wendelville, Monday evening, June 19. The nine participating churches have approximately 3000 members. The quota of St. Peter's Church for the Union Outdoors Service is 200 persons, and for the Monday evening workshop, we have set ourselves the goal of 50 persons. The organist and choir of St Peter's Church has charge of the music for the Sunday morning service. Clyde Kline, the choir director, will conduct the choir.

The Evening News, Saturday, June 3, 1950

St. Peter's Church Class To Be Confirmed Sunday

St. Peter's United Church of Christ, Oliver and Porter Streets, North Tonawanda, will conduct the Rite of Confirmation on Palm Sunday at the 10:30 Worship Service.

The service will be conducted by the Rev. Stephen Chamberlain, supply pastor for St. Peter's Church. His message to the confirmands and the congregation is entitled, "The Dividing Line." Special music will be provided by the Junior Choirs under the direction of James Grapes.

Members of the Class of 1970 are: Cindy Jean Jils, Kyle Jean Miliczky, Sharon Leigh Roth, Joanne Carol Misko, Jeffrey Lee Hartman, David Wayne Neumann, Glenn Carl Meyers, John Edward Roxyki, Gary Don Reimer, and Jeffery Ernest Ribbeck.

The Confirmation Class presented their recitations to the congregation at last week's Wednesday evening Lenten service in the presence of friends, relatives and sponsors.

The class is requested to be present at church at 10 a.m. Palm Sunday for a group picture to be taken in their robes.

President of the church, Albert Stieg announces there will be Maundy Thursday Holy Communion Services at 7:30 p.m. Thursday. The Rev. Charles W Hobbs will be guest speaker on the topic "Crucifixion of Jesus." The Chancel Choir will provide music for the service. Mrs. Glen Warblow will be organist for both services.

Good Friday services sponsored by the Twin Cities Ministerial Association will begin at noon in Frieden's United Church of Christ and Salem United Church of Christ.

Tonawanda NEWS, Friday, March 20, 1970

Clubs and Organization

A chowder sale will be held by the members of the Women Guild of St. Peter's church, Oliver corner Porter, Gratwick, Wednesday noon, May 24th. Chowder will be ready at 11:30. Price 30c a quart.



United Church of Christ

St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed Church, J. J. Braun, pastor; Miss Glen Warblow, organist; Mrs. Lillian Sandbloom Wilder, director of choirs. Morning worship at 10 o'clock; Sunday school at 11:15. Youth fellowship on Wednesday evening. The young people will participate in the young people's rally of the West New York Synod, Sunday, April 27, at Bethlehem Church on East Parade Circle. Rev. Ralph Loew of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church will be the speaker. The meeting begins at 2:30. The Niagara region of Women's Guilds will meet at St. Peter's Church on Wednesday, April 23rd from 9:30 a. m. to 3:15 p. m. Speakers during the day will be Mrs. Paul Frankendorf, Rev. Kindt, who will tell about his trip to Italy; Rev. Carl Reller, pastor of St. John's Church in Dunkirk. Conference Grounds, and Rev. J. Otto will deliver the main address on the subject: "The Gospel of Togetherness". All women are invited. Please bring a box lunch. The hosts will serve coffee and dessert.

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St. Peters Plans Annual Sunday School Picnic

The Sunday school of St. Peter's Church at Oliver and Porter streets will have its annual picnic in Pinewood Park on July 13th and has invited the entire congregation. It will be a family picnic with games and races and treats for the children and good fellowship and refreshments for the adults.

Frank Meyers is general chairman and is to be assisted by Rowland Stubbs. On the game committee are the following: Mr. and Mrs. William Moeller, Ed. Janowski, Mrs. J. J. Braun, and Eugene Braun. Irvin Hils is chairman of the refreshment committee and will be assisted by the young men of his class.

THE NEWS of the Tonawandas, N. Y., Thursday June, 1946

CHRISTMAS SALE

Women's Union and Senior Girls' Society St. Peter's Church Oliver Street cor. Porter
Thursday, Dec. 1st., 7 p.m.
Fancy Goods—Toys—Rag Rugs
Refreshments—Baked Goods

The Evening News, Thursday, December 1, 1938

Youth Fellowship To Give Comedy

"Annabelle Steps In", a comedy in two acts, will be presented by the Youth Fellowship of Frieden's Evangelical and Reformed Church at St. Peter's Church on Oliver and Porter streets, on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. The play will be under the direction of Miss Patricia Petrie of the North Tonawanda High School. The cast is composed of the following:

Joan Altmayer, as Kay Marshall, the long-suffering hostess; Henry Dormer, as Donald Marshall, her brother; Arlene Librock, as Polly Clark, who wants to be a singer; Robert Newman, as Speedy Clark, who wants to be a comedian; Marjorie Garlapow, as Barbara, who wants to be tragedian; Richard Kaminsko, as WiHie (Bronco) Reed, who wants to play the Westerns; Russell Janowsky, as Tony Sutton, who tries to teach all of them a lesson; Sally Luther, as Emma Sutton, his bashful sister; Marion Lavery, as Annabelle Mason, a young actress. Hazel Walp as "Felicie, the new maid.

Warren Moeller, assisted by members of the Intermediate League of St Peter's Church is in charge of the stage and tickets. The latter may be obtained at the church on Wednesday evening.

THE NEWS of the Tonawanda*, Monday, April 17. 1944

Churches

St. Peter's Church, Evangelical and Reformed, Oliver St. Worship Service at 10 o'clock. Mr Julian Dolan of Niagara Falls, a leader among the Gideons will conduct the service. The Gideons enjoy the high esteem of the nation for their great work of placing a Bible in every hotel room. Sunday school meets 11:15, Frank Meyers, Supt. The Sunday school staff meets Tuesday evening, Youth Fellowship Wednesday. On Children's Day the church worship and the Sunday school sessions will be united in one, the service beginning at 10 a.m. United Church Councils will meet at St. Peter's Church Sunday afternoon, June 13th.

The Evening News, Saturday, June 5, 1948

Frontier Church Representatives In Friedens Fellowship Meeting

At the invitation of the Rev. Theodore Mayer and the Church Council of Friedens' church, the pastors, and thirty Council members of the Evangelical and Reformed churches of the Niagara Frontier met at Friedens' church last night for an evening of fellowship, the sharing of experiences and mutual planning for the coming Lenten season. After group singing with Mrs. Theodore Mayer at the piano, and refreshments, the president of the Niagara Frontier Church Councils, the Rev. Theophil H. Twente called upon the following to share with the group the encouraging experiences of their respective churches of the past year: Thomas Toft, of Friedens₁; Wm. Breitenbach, of St. Paul's, Shawnee; Rev. Andrew Babinsky, of the Hungarian Reformed; Rev. Theodore Mayer, of St. Paul's, Shawnee; Rev. Karl Kindt, of Millersport; William Thuersam, of Salem, Tonawanda and Fred Fischer of St. Peter's, North Tonawanda. These reports challenged the group to attempt greater things or the new year. After an introductory statement by the Rev. Walter Hetzel on the "Crusade For Christ" campaign which was inaugurated in Buffalo last week and is being sponsored by the Evangelical and Reformed church :throughout the country, it was unanimously voted to adopt the following three-fold program for the coming Lenten season:

1. Exchange of pulpits on Feb. 13.
2. Every family represented in the church service every Sunday.
3. At least one new member for everyone in military service.

A similar meeting is being planned for Sunday afternoon, Feb. 13, at 8:30 o'clock In St. Peter's church, Gratwick, in connection with the annual meeting of the Church Councils of the E. & R. churches of the Niagara Frontier.

THE NEWS of the Tonawandas, Tuesday, February 1. 1944

PAGEANT PRESENTATION FEATURES FOUNDERS' DAY SERVICE OF EVANGELICAL AND REFORMED CHURCHES

Largest and Most impressive Demonstration of Its Kind in Buffalo Area in 100 Years; Thirty- nine Congregations Take Part in Kleinhans' Music Hall Program

"Without a doubt the largest and most* impressive united demonstration of the Evangelical and Reformed churches of the Buffalo area in the 100 years of their existence!" is the statement made this morning by the Rev. Theodore Mayer, who directed the Kleinhans' Music Hall pageant yesterday afternoon. "The Founders' Day" service of the Evangelical churches of the Buffalo area on Sunday afternoon commemorated the 215th anniversary of the Reformed church in the U. S., the 100th anniversary of the Evangelical Synod and the 50th anniversary of the Hungarian Reformed church.

The special feature of the service, was the presentation of an historical pageant in five episodes, entitled "Hearts and Hands United". The pageant with 166 characters in the cast, was ably supported by a pageant choir of over 300 voices. The pageant was especially written for this occasion by the Rev. and Mrs. Theodore Mayer, who also personally directed the presentation of it. The pageant reached its climax in the dramatic presentation of the recent consummated union of the Evangelical Synod and the Reformed church in the U. S.

The committee on arrangements was highly congratulated upon securing a 100 per cent participation in the pageant of every one of the Evangelical and Reformed churches in this area. Thirty nine churches shared in this project. The attendance at the big mass meeting was far beyond the expectations of the committee. One hour before the opening of the program, every seat was taken in the spacious auditorium of the new music hall, seating 2800. Then the doors of the chamber music hall were thrown open for an overflow meeting and here everyone of the 800 seats was taken. In spite of having hundreds of others stand in the foyer and balcony, the chairman of the committee reported that over 1500 were turned away, not able to get in at all.

A most masterful address was delivered by the Dr. William Barnhardt of Hood College, Frederick, Md. His subject was, "Facing the World Crisis with Christ",

he held the attention of a spellbound audience for almost an hour, as he fearlessly diagnosed the present world situation and challenged present-day Christianity to take its stand for Christ "without reservations." Large delegations from the membership of the Evangelical and Reformed churches of the Tonawandas attended the Founders' Day services. St. Peter's church on Oliver street and St. Peter's church on Knoche road, Friedens church on Schenck street and Salem church on Morgan street, also St. Paul's church of Shawnee, all had participants in the pageant. The total membership of the church choirs of Friedens church and St. Peter's church, Oliver street, took part in the special pageant choir.

The Evening News, Monday, October 18, 1940

FOUNDERS' DAY SERVICE FOR AREA CHURCHES

Several Members of St Peter's Evangelical Congregation to Participate

Several members of St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed church, Oliver street, will take part in the Founders' Day service of the Evangelical and Reformed churches in this vicinity, to be held on Sunday afternoon at 3:30 in the Kleinhans' Music Hall, Buffalo. The speaker will be the Rev. William R. Bernhardt, professor of Religion at Hood college, Frederick, Md. This celebration is in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the Evangelical church, the 215th anniversary of the Reformed church and the 50th anniversary of the Hungarian Reformed church. One of the features of the celebration program will be a pageant, with a representative group from each church taking part. Those from St. Peter's church participating are the pastor, the Rev. Theophil H. Twente, Fred Fischer, representing the Church Council; Miss Betty Koch as standard bearer and Elmer Twente. St. Peter's church choir will join in a mass choir of 300 voices, singing two anthems, Hallelujah Chorus, from the Messiah by Handel and Souls of the Righteous, by Noble.

The Evening news Thursday, October 1940

St Peter's United Church of Christ, 1208 Oliver St., the Rev. Milton L. Straube, pastor. Sunday: 9:15, Church School; 10:30, Worship, sermon: "Be of Good Cheer"; 6, "Family Night" potluck supper. Saturday: 9, Junior Confirmation; 10:30, Senior Confirmation.

The Evening News, Saturday, October 15, 1966

Area Lutheran Churches Presenting Pageant Written by N. Tonawandans

**Rev. and Mrs. Theodore Mayer Also in Charge
of Production; Will Be Given at Kleinhans' Mu-
sic Hall; 166 Characters, Chorus of 300 Voices
to Participate**

Representatives from the Evangelical and Reformed churches of the Tonawanda area are taking part in the historical pageant to be presented at the Kleinhans' Music Hall, Buffalo, Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The pageant was written and arranged by the Rev. and Mrs. Theodore Mayer of Schenck street. In the pageant cast of 166 characters and in the festival and pageant chorus of 300 voices, the following churches of this area are represented: Hungarian Reformed, Oliver street—Louis Kiss, Irene Biriky and Bettie Horvath. Friedens church, Schenck street — Rev. Theodore Mayer, Mrs. Frank Schmidt, Otto Grose, Lee Johnson. St. Peter's church, Oliver street — Rev. Theo. H. Twente, Fred Fischer, Betty Koch; Elmer Twente. St.-Peter's church, Knoche road—Rev. Theo. Twente, Albert Bottoms, Lucille Kuhn. Mary Goche-nour. St. Paul's church, Shawnee — Rev. Theo. Mayor, Albert Moje, Mrs. Donald Moje, Audry Hamann. Salem church, Morgan street—Rev. Walter Hetzel, Fred Sdhultz Carol Miller, Kathryn Ibbotson, Doris Nailie of Thompson street and Lois Demsky of Falconer street will take the part of the acolytes. The central feature of the final pageant scene will be a large lighted cross, which has been constructed by Harold and Glen Lozo, Herman Jagow and Philip Weinheimer and Friedens church. A final dress rehearsal of the entire cast, together with the mass chorus of 300 voices, is being held tonight at Kleinhans Music Hall, North and Richmond avenues Buffalo. The Rev. and Mrs. Theodore Mayer are directing the presentation.

The Evening News, Friday, October, 25, 1940

Home Department of the St. Peter's Church Meets This Evening

The home department of the St Peters Evangelical church will meet this evening at the church on Oliver street near Ward road at 8 o'clock. Mrs. Theophil Twente will be the speaker.

The Evening News, Thursday, March 23, 1933

3 Churches to Join In Day of Prayer

A "Day of Prayer" will be held for the Evangelical and Reformed churches Ascension Day, May 26. Services for the local group will be held at St. Peter's church on Oliver street. Sat. Peter's church on Knoche, road Salem church, and Friedens church will participate in the program. Plans are being prepared by eight women of the three congregations. Mrs. Elmer Redemske, as chairman, is assisted by Mrs. T. Miller, Mrs. T. Butler, Mrs. J. Matthies, Mrs. T. Mayer, Mrs. G. Main. Mrs. S. Knapp and Mrs. J. Lazo.

The Evening News, Thursday, May 12, 1938

IN THE SOCIAL REALM

Senior Girls' Society of St. Peter's Church Have Mother and Daughter's Banquet

The Senior Girls' society of St. Peter's church on Oliver street held a most enjoyable mother and daughter banquet last evening in Steffin's restaurant, Main street.

The table was arranged in a private room which was prettily decorated, and covers were laid for forty three. Following the delicious dinner an appropriate program of instrumental and vocal music, poems and readings was given as a tribute to the mothers present. The program included a duet by Miss Marion Meyers and Miss Erma Knmm. and addresses by Mrs. K. A. Butler, Rev. Theophil Menzer. and Mrs. Fred Schultz of Mt. Vernon-on-the-Lake, Ohio.

Mrs. Butler. who is the president of the society gave the opening talk with a few well chosen words to the mothers, and Rev. Menzel gave a splendid short talk on Respect of Motherhood. Mrs. Schultz who made the principal speech of the evening took as her subject, Faith, and her address of greatest interest to both mother! and daughters

Last night's banquet was the fifth annual affair given by the Senior Girls society and Mrs. Schultz has given an address at four of them. At the conclusion of the program carnations were distributed to all of the guests.

The Evening News, Thursday, May 15, 1930

Mr. Mayer Honored By Conference

Yesterday afternoon the opening session of the special New York district, conference of the Evangelical Synod of North America was opened at St. Matthew's Evangelical church of Buffalo. The Rev. H. A. Fenske is pastor of the entertaining enure!*. The conference is meeting for three days, closing tomorrow

afternoon. Represented at this conference are three of the Evangelical Synod churches of the Tonawandas; Salem church, St. Peter's of Gratwick and Friedens church. The delegates from Salem church are the pastor, the Rev. W. Hetzel and William Thursam; from St. Peter's church, of Gratwick. the pastor, the Rev. T. H. Twente and John Seibel'; from Friedens church, the pastor the Rev. Theodore Mayer."



THEODORE MAYER

In the opening session yesterday afternoon the conference was organized by electing its district president, the Rev. Carl Haass of Rochester, moderator and the Rev. Theodore Mayer of Friedens Evangelical church, vice-moderator. The conference opened with a communion service. The first afternoon was largely devoted to committee work. The conference is organized into fifteen committees which receive reports from the national boards and also the New York district boards and later present their recommendations to the general session of the conference. The Rev. Theodore Mayer is chairman of the committee reviewing the work of the national boards on publication and pension and relief. The Rev. Walter Hetzel is secretary of the committee reporting on the foreign missionary work of the denomination. William Thursam is serving on the committee considering the home missionary activities, and Mrs. John Serbel is a member of the committee on publications and pension and relief. The New York district- is one of the 19 territorial divisions of the Evangelical Synod of North America, which is about to consummate a union with the Reformed Church in the United States. The district consists of 60 congregations in the western part of New York state and the eastern part of Pennsylvania. There are 52 pastors in the district 46 serving congregations, three "retired one as superintendent of the Church Home at Forks, one as librarian at the Colgate-Rochester Divinity school, and one a practicing physician.

The Evening News Thursday, May 12, 1938

Name Rev. Mayer Moderator At State Church Conference

Annual Meeting of New York District of Evangelical Synod of North America Being Held This Week in Elmira—Other Tonawandas' Pastors Present

The annual conference of the New York District of the Evangelical Synod of North America It convening this week at Elmira, N. Y. The opening session was held on Tuesday afternoon at which time the conference organized by electing the Rev. Paul Langhorst of Buffalo, as moderator and the Rev. Theodore Mayer of North Tons wanda as vice moderator. The conference will be in until Friday noon of this

A large portion of the preliminary work of the conference is being done through committees, 'which review the reports of the national denominational boards and the District boards of the church and then submit recommendations to the conference floor.

Rev. Twente Chairman.

The Rev. Theophil Twente of St. Peter's church,*North Tonawanda, is chairman of the conference committee on Brotherhood and Women's Work. Dr. E. T. Mueller of North Tonawanda, is also serving on this committee. The Rev. Theodore Mayer of North Tonawanda, is chairman of the committee reporting un the work of colleges and seminaries. The Rev. Karl Kindt of Wendelville, is chairman of the auditing committee. The Rev. Walter Iletael of Salem church, Tonawanda, is a member of the committee reporting on the work of Publications and the Board of Pension and Relief. Mr. John Seibel, lay delegate from St. Peter's church, Gratwick, is a member of the committee on credentials and the committee on federations of Evangelical charities.

Has 56 Pastors.

The New York District of the Evangelical Synod of North America has an enrollment of 56 pastors, of which 48 are serving congregations, four are retired, one is superintendent of the Church Home at Forks, one is librarian at the Colgate-Rochester Theological Seminary and one is a practicing physician. The territory of the district comprises the northern part of Pennsylvania and the northern and western part of the state of New York.

The Evening News, Thursday, May 18, 1937

EVANGELICAL AND REFORMED

Salem Evangelical and Reformed Church, Main and Morgan Sts., the Rev. Walter F. Hetzel, pastor, Evelyn Cary Miller, organist - director. Sunday: 9:30 a.m., Church School with classes for all ages, Robert Warren, superintendent, Robert W. Hetzel, assistant superintendent. 10:45 a.m., annual outdoor worship service at Pine Woods Park, the Rev. Frederick Frankenfeld of St. Louis, Mo., speaker. Monday: Inter-Church Softball Game, Salem vs Grace Methodist at Ives Field; 8 p.m., workshop at St. Peter's Church, Gratwick for all church and church school workers, councilmen, organization workers and all interested friends; speaker, Mr. Frankenfeld, former pastor of Salem Church, Rochester, now serving at our Emmaus Home at St. Charles, Mo. Wednesday: 6 pm, Salem League outdoor meeting and picnic at canal-side. Pot luck, desert and coffee will be furnished by the committee. In case of rain it will be in the Church House. Any one desiring transportation be at the Church by 6 p.m. Thursday: 9- 11:30 a.m. Opening of the Annual Union Vacation Church School to Grace Methodist Church, Broad and Seymour Sts.; 8 p.m., Church Council meeting. Wednesday: Churchmen's Brotherhood outdoor meeting and picnic at Veteran's Park. Friday: Strawberry festival on the church grounds sponsored by the Women's Guild; 8 p.m.. Second quarterly meeting of the Home Department. Message by Richard Hurdiss, senior at Eden Theological Seminary, St. Louis, Mo.

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Home Bureau Postpones Class

The second lesson in pattern alteration for Gratwick Home Bureau will not be held Dec. 20 as planned, but will be Jan. 10 at 10 J a. m. in St. Peter's Church, Oliver {and Porter. On Jan 3d a business meeting at 10 a. m. will be followed by a lesson on "Oven Meals." A salesman, with materials for the purse making course will be at the meeting and those planning to take the course must order at this time. The class will start Jan. 17.

The News of the Tonawandas, N. Y. Tuesday, Dec. 18, 1951

GRACE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Payne avenue and Robinson street
Rev. C. L. Braun.

The Bible school Invites everyone to enjoy the splendid spirit and wholesome influence to be experienced at the session at 9:30 a.m.

The chief service to be conducted at 11:00 a m . affords everyone, young and old, to enjoy a quiet and refreshing period with God's children. The theme of the discourse well be: "The Altar in the Home."

The first meeting of the Union Brotherhood will be held Monday evening at St;Peter's church, Gratwick at 8:00 p.m.

The Ladies Aid will be entertained at the home of Mrs. Phillip Martin, Sweeney circle at an apron shower on Thursday afternoon. The Catechetical class will meet with the pastor on Saturday morning at 9:30 a.m.

A hearty welcome awaits you!

The Evening News, Saturday, October 17, 1925

EVANGELICAL AND REFORMED

St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed Church, Oliver St. And Porter. J. J. Braun, pastor. Worship service at 10 a. m. "Third Step in the Christian Way — Trusting Jesus" Sunday school at 11:15. Sunday evening the choir will sing in Lenten service of Trinity Church in Sheridan Parkside and then be entertained by Trinity Choir. Tuesday at 6 p. m., the nine local (Niagara Frontier) Evangelical and Reformed Churches will have a supper meeting at St. Peter's in Oliver St. to hear the "Inside Story of One Great Hour" as told by the national director of World Service in the E. and R. Churches, the Rev. Doctor Henry C. Koch. Mid-week Lenten service at 7:30 Wednesday will have »the theme, "The Cross Shows Up Things as They Are," illustrated by the life story of John Woolman, great Quaked leader. March 26 from 10-11, this congregation will listen, each family in its own home, to the unprecedented broadcast, "One Great Hour." March 27, St. Peter's Church will receive its regular, third-of-the-year, self-denial offering for overseas relief. Inasmuch as several of the in-between offerings which have in the previous years helped the church to reach its quota, have been omitted, it is expected that this offering should be a generous self-denial offering.

The Evening News, Saturday, March 12,-1949

Rev. and Mrs. Twente Leave For St. Louis Next Week

The Rev. Theophil H. Twente, pastor of St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed church, Oliver and Porter streets, will preach his farewell sermon tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock. His topic will be "A Look at the Picture Album of Our Elder Brother." The Twentes will move to St. Louis, Mo., during the course of the next week, where Mr. Twente will assume his duties as Associate Executive Secretary of the Board of International Missions of the Evangelical and Reformed church. They will make their home at 18 W. Jackson road, Webster Grove, Mo. A delightful farewell banquet was held for the Twentes at St. Peter's church, Gratwick, on Sunday evening, in which more than a hundred friends from St. Peter's church, Gratwick, and St. Peter's church, Knoche road, participated. The supper was served by the women of the former church. Mr. Fred Fischer, chairman of the church council, presided. The Rev. Emil W. Menzel of Dunkirk, for many years a close friend of the Twentes, served as toastmaster. Addresses of appreciation were also given by the Rev. Walter Hetzel on behalf of the Twin City Ministerial Association and the Evangelical and Reformed Church Councils of the Niagara Frontier, by Mrs. Theodore Mayer of Friedens Church, Mr. Ferd. Thorman, superintendent of St. Peter's Sunday School, and Miss Margaret Ensminger of Knoche road. Out-of-town visitors included Mrs. Emil Menzel of Dunkirk, and Mrs. Paul Menzel of Washington, D C, in whose home Mr. and Mrs. Twente had spent a part of their honeymoon. There will be no service at St. Peter's, Gratwick, nor at St. Peter's Knoche road, on Labor Sunday. However, arrangements have been made with the Rev. Emil W. Menzel to serve as a supply for



St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed

Church, Oliver and Porter streets, J. J. Braun, Pastor, Mrs. Glen Warblow, Organist, Mrs. W. Ivan Wilder, Choir Director. Sunday worship at 10 a.m. Sunday school at 11:15 a. m. Frank Meyers, superintendent. On Sunday, June 23rd the annual Evangelical and Reformed Day will be celebrated by churches of West New York on the Conference Grounds Of Dunkirk. A chartered bus will leave from North Tonawanda at 1:15. Those who desire to avail themselves of this means of transportation will please call Mrs. Charles Moeller, Tel. 1883. On Sunday, June 30th the eight Evangelical and Reformed churches of the Niagara Area will unite in an Out-door service of worship at 10:45 in the morning in Pinewoods Park. The Rev. Fred C. Schwein first, executive secretary of the Department of Evangelism of the E and R Church will be the speaker. The choirs of the participating churches will form a mass chorus and sing two anthems. There will be a brass quintet in addition to the piano to accompany the hymns. On July 1st, at 7:30 in the evening, the Rev. Schweinfurth of Cleveland, will conduct a worker's conference in which the Sunday school teachers, the church council members and the officers of choirs and all church organizations will participate. It will be held at St. Peter's Church at Oliver and Porter streets. The ladies of St Peter's will serve dessert and coffee at 7:30. The Senior Girls of St. Peter's Church will meet on Wednesday, 26th. The Church Council and the Women's Guild will give a supper and entertainment in honor of returned service men at St. Peter's Church at 6:30, June 26th.

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St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed church, Oliver and Porter streets; Theophil H. Twente, minister – 10 a.m., worship service with sermon, "A Glimpse at the Picture Album of Our Elder Brother." 11:15 a.m. Sunday school. The choir will sing "Now Let Heaven and Earth Adore Thee," and "Beautiful."

The Evening News, Saturday, August 25, 1945

the remaining Sundays in September, after which the newly elected pastor, the Rev J. J Braun, D.D., of St. Louis, will take charge.

The Evening News, August 25, 1945

VOTE IMPROVEMENTS AT GRATWICK CURCH

The congregation of St. Peter's Church, Oliver street and Porter avenue, yesterday voted to make improvements to the edifice. A basement will be constructed under the building and an addition made to the church to provide room for its growing membership.

The Evening News, Monday, April 23, 1923

100 MEMBERS ATTENDED EIGHTH ANNUAL BROTHERHOODS' BANQUET

One Hundred members attended the eighth annual banquet of the United Lutheran Brotherhoods of the Twin Cities, which was held last night at Grace Lutheran church. Payne avenue and Robinson street. The program opened with the singing of America after which prayer was given by Rev. T. Meaxel of St. Peter's church, Oliver street. L. A. Wilke, toastmaster, extended greetings. George T. Hollaran of Niagara Falls was the chief speaker. His address was given in a humorous vein. Ted Valdon of Buffalo, a magician, also entertained. Benjamin H. Lindhurst and Alfred Jackson were song leaders and Donald Robinson was at the piano. Supper was served by the ladies of Grace Lutheran church. The following churches are identified with the union brotherhood: St. Peter's, Oliver street, Salem, Frieden's and Grace Lutheran.

The Evening News, Friday, April, 1929

Gratwick

The Senior girls of St. Peter's church, Oliver street, will hold an important business meeting Wednesday evening at the home of Miss Vema Riest of East Felton street. All of the members are asked to be present.

The Evening News, Monday, December 2, 1929

CHURCH BROTHERHOODS HOLD LARGEST ANNUAL BANQUET

A dinner given by the United Brotherhoods at St. Peter's church, Oliver street, Gratwick, last night, was a great success.

The affair was a joint gathering of members of different brotherhoods of the following churches: Friedens, St. Peter's Gratwick, and Grace Evangelical Lutheran. Over 200 members attended; it was the largest banquet in the history of the organization. "Onward Christian Soldiers" was sung as the opening hymn after which Dr. T. Mueller said Grace.

Louis A. Wilk of Grace Evangelical Lutheran church was toastmaster; Miss Verna Sieml of St. Peter's church was the pianist. The Banquet was featured by solo by Frank Groom of St. Catharines, Ont., and Mr. Howard Kohler of this city.

The speaker for the evening was the Rev. Oscar Wittlinger of Cleveland who addressed the men on "Confessing Christ." He said in part, "How many are there that do not go to church. We must confess the Lord Jesus in words and deeds.

There are many who confess Christ and deny Him in their walks of life. We must make sure that our heart is right with God then come out openly and confess Him in words." The dinner was prepared by the ladies of St. Peter's church, Mrs. Jacob Benzinger, chairman. The 1925 Union banquet will take place at the new Grace Lutheran church on Payne avenue.

The Evening News, Friday, April 25, 1924

Gratwick

The Ladies' Aid society of St. Peter's church, Oliver street, will have a silver tea Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Clarence Moeller of Stenzil street. The members and their friends are invited to attend.

The Evening News, Tuesday, July 22, 1930

Gratwick

The Ladies' Aid society of St. Peter's church, Oliver street, will have an important business meeting this evening at the church. All members are requested to be present.

The Evening News, Tuesday, September 2, 1930

Gratwick

A silver tea will be held on Thursday evening at St. Peter's church, Oliver street, with Mrs. Jacob Benzinger and Mrs. William Meyers hostesses. The members and friends of the Ladies' Aid society are invited. The Senior Girls' of St. Peter's church will have a silver tea Wednesday evening at the home of Miss Grace Golem, with Miss Gladys Lindhurst assisting hostess. The members and their friends are invited.

The Evening News, Tuesday, December 9, 1930

Gratwick

The senior girls of St. Peter's church, Oliver street will hold a class meeting at the home of Miss ; Ruth Eleonora Thorman of 223 East Felton street, evening at 8 o'clock. Wednesday.

The Evening News, Tuesday, January 20, 1931

Personals

Mrs. Kent Butler of Stenzil street is attending the Regional convention of the Evangelical and Reformed church, being held yesterday and today in Dunkirk. She is a delegate from St. Peter's church, Oliver street.

The Evening News, Saturday, September 18, 1937

ALMEDA G. R. CLUB TO GIVE CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Almeda Girls Reserve club will present a Christmas program and a play entitled, "Christmas Eve in the Home," at 7 o'clock, Thursday evening, in the school house of St. Peter's church, Oliver street and Porter avenue. Parents and friends are cordially invited. The play, which depicts a nativity scene, with carolers visiting the home .includes following cast: Mother, Ruth Weingartner; father, Mildred Urban; grandmother, Shirley Mordick; brother John, Elaine Urban; Marie, Gladys Fox; Agnes, Evelyn Greenberg; pianist, Lucille Gentzmer. The entire group will take part in the carol singing.

The Evening News, Wednesday, December 22, 1937

Miss June Schroeder Will Wed Howard Stoeckel on Saturday

The marriage of Miss June Schroeder, daughter of Henry Schroeder and the late Mrs. Schroeder of 210 Linwood avenue, to Howard Stoeckel, son of Mr. And Mrs. William Stoeckel of 101 Linwood avenue, will take place on Saturday afternoon, June 25th at 4:30 in St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed church, Oliver street, the Rev. T. H. Twente officiating.

Miss Jane Beytte, cousin of the bride will be maid of honor. The bridesmaids will be, Mrs. Donald Hackett, cousin of the bride and Miss Violet Stockel, sister of the groom.

Edward Stoeckel will attend his brother was best man. The ushers will be Norman Strassburg, cousin of the groom and Reed Bal

Patricia Ann Helf will be the flower girl.

A dinner for seventy-five guests will be given at 6 o'clock in St. Mark's Parish Hall, in Washington street. In the evening a reception for 250 will be held at 1029 Oliver street.

The Evening News, Wednesday 22, 1938

Youth Group Plans Anniversary Party

The Senior Young People's Society of St Peter's Evangelical and Reformed church, Oliver street, held its monthly business meeting last evening. The following committee was appointed to make plans for the tenth anniversary celebration of the society in February; Miss Marian Meyers, Miss Helen Brace, Norman Dormer and Jack Miller. Reports were made on the recent play, "Spooky Tavern," and the Thanksgiving Day program. Clarence Fischer and Robert Meyers was appointed as the nominating committee to prepare a slate of officers for the election in January. Announcement was made of the discussion group, which will meet at the church next Monday evening. Miss Eleanor Leighow and Miss Marion Meyers will be in charge. It was requested that the young people attend the congregational meeting of the church in January. Mrs. Rowland Stubbs and Jack Miller were chosen as the refreshment committee for the January meeting.

The Evening News, Thursday, December 1, 1938

Rev. J. J. Braun Begins Work at Two Local Churches

On Sunday, October 7th, the Rev. J. J. Braun, D.D., will begin his active ministry as pastor of St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed church in Gratwick and St.



Peter's Evangelical and Reformed church on Knoche road. Dr. Braun will preach at 9 o'clock at the Knoche road church and at 10 o'clock at the Gratwick church. Both churches will observe the World Communion Sunday. In August both churches extended a call to Dr. Braun of St. Louis, Mo., to become the pastor of these churches, succeeding the Rev. Theophil Twente who recently went to St. Louis, Mo., to be-

come associate secretary of the Board of International Missions of the Evangelical and Reformed church. Three weeks ago Dr. Braun brought his family to North Tonawanda; preached one Sunday but returned to St. Louis revisiting the work of National Missions of the Evangelical and Reformed church, which board he served as full-time general secretary for the past 15 years.

Dr. Braun comes to this community with a rich background of experience in the field of National Missions. Prior to his directing the work National Missions in his own denomination, he served as home-missionary on the Western Slope of the Rockies for six years and for ten years as superintendent of missions for the Northern Illinois Synod of his denomination. He has also been active in the inter-denominational field, serving for several years as recording secretary of the Home Missions Council.

In the field of Christian education Dr. Braun has rendered special leadership, serving as a member of the denominational Board of Christian Education for seven years and being an active member of the teaching staff of numerous Leadership Training schools and summer conferences.

Dr. Braun received his college and seminary training for the Christian ministry at Elmhurst College, Eden Theological Seminary and Hartford Theological Seminary. His first parish he had in Buffalo, serving Immanuel church on Military road until he gave his particular attention to the work of National Missions.

Dr. and Mrs. Braun have five children. Their oldest daughter, Dorothy, is the wife of the Rev. Fred Plocher at Sardis, Ohio. Mrs. Plocher was formerly the full time

secretary of the denominational Girls' Guild work. Two sons are in the armed forces: Harold is studying medicine at Harvard and Theodore, who is in the medical corps at Jefferson Barracks, Mo., expects to enter the ministry. Eugene is a senior at the North Tonawanda high school and Marian is attending Felton grammar school.

The Evening News, Saturday, October 8, 1945

Club Life

Miss Rachel Twente, Miss Helen Brace, Clarence Fischer and Kenneth Moeller, attended the Young Peoples Conference of the Evangelical and Reformed church at Dunkirk, Saturday Sunday and Monday, as delegates of St. Peter's church, Oliver street.

Women's Union Members To Have Meeting Tonight
The Women's Union of St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed church will meet this evening at 8 o'clock, in the school house on Porter avenue. The topic to be discussed will be "Discovering Relationships."

Mrs. Warblow Hosted To Senior Society The Senior Girls' Society of St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed church will meet Wednesday evening fit the home of Mrs. Glennwerth Warblow in 345 Stenzil street.

All from:

The Evening News, Tuesday, September 6, 1938

Women's Union Will Have Sale Tomorrow

The Women's Union of St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed church, Oliver street corner Porter avenue, will sponsor a chowder and fried cake sale, tomorrow, beginning at 11 o'clock. Mrs. Frances Meyers is chairman of the chowder committee and Mrs. Emma Moeller is in charge of the fried cake.

The Evening News, Tuesday, August 29, 1929

Senior Girls' Class Meeting and Party

The Senior Girls' class of St. Peter's church. Oliver street, will hold its regular meeting and Christmas party on Wednesday evening, December 1 at the home of Mrs. Rowland Stubbs of Ruie road.

The Evening News, Tuesday, November, 30, 1943

WILLIAM F. HILDERBRANDT

William F. Hildebrandt, 59, died last night at his home on the Klemer road, town of Wheatfield. He was a member of St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran church on Thompson street. Born In Niagara Falls, he had resided in the town of Wheatfield the greater part of his life. Surviving are his wife, Ella, nee Heppner; three brothers, Charles, George and Edward of North Tonawanda, and four sisters, Mrs. William Proefrock and Mrs. Herman Ellman of St. Johnsburg, Mrs. Harry Livingston of Buffalo and Mrs. Alfred Werth of North Tonawanda. Rites will be held Thursday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock from the residence. The Rev. Robert Hein will officiate and burial will be in St: Paul's cemetery.

The Evening News, Tuesday, November 30, 1943

LENTEN SERVICE

On Ash Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. the first Lenten service will be held in St. Peter's Church Oliver Street The pastor will use as his theme "Men and Women of the Cross." The first subject will be "Francis of Assisi."

Date unknown

Local Church Choirs To Present Cantata On Palm Sunday

The Senior Choir of the First Presbyterian Church and the Women's Chorus of St Peter's Evangelical and Reformed Church held one of their final rehearsals Sunday afternoon in preparation for the cantata, "From Olivet to Calvary"* by Maunder, which will be presented Palm Sunday, April 3, at 4 p. m. at the First Presbyterian Church and repeated that Sunday evening at 7:30 at St. Peter's Church, Oliver street. The Presbyterian Choir has chosen as its soloists Dr. Francis Diers, dean of the music department of Fredonia State Teacher's college, tenor; and Dr. David Howells, head of the Voice and Opera department The St. Peter's Church will have as its soloists in the evening performance, Austin Granger, tenor soloist to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church of Buffalo, and Arthur Mildenburger, baritone of Westminster Presbyterian Church, Buffalo. This beautiful Lenten cantata will be under the direction of Lillian Sandbloom Bremer.

The Evening News, Monday, March 20, 1944

Do you remember?

(As reported in the Tonawanda NEWS) 65 Years Ago— 1908 About 50 young people attended the Halloween social given by the Christian Endeavor Society of North Church of Christ. The ladies of St Peter's Church. Oliver Street. North Tonawanda. served supper to a large number. Fred Schuler of Payne Avenue held the lucky number which won him a rug in a special drawing.

Tonawanda News, Wednesday October 31, 1973