

HISTORICAL BOOKLET

of the

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

AVENEL, NEW JERSEY

1927 - 1952



Commemorating the 25th Anniversary of the  
Organization of the Church

By

The Reverend Warren W. Warman, Pastor

**THE FIRST PASTOR**



**Clair A. Morrow, D. D.**

**1929 - 1930**

## A BRIEF HISTORY

of the

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH of AVENEL, N. J.  
Presbytery of Elizabeth  
Synod of New Jersey  
Presbyterian Church, U. S. A.

ORGANIZED - November 10, 1927

This BOOKLET includes the following:

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"sons", Trustee presidents and  
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A Brief History  
of the  
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH of AVENEL

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On May 21, 1927 Charles A. Lindbergh made his historic flight across the Atlantic. On October 4th of the same year the Presbytery of Elizabeth received a carefully drawn and largely signed paper from certain residents of Avenel, petitioning for the organization of a Presbyterian church. "After due discussion and the presentments of Elder William H. Gardner of The First Presbyterian Church of Woodbridge, on behalf of the petitioners, the Committee on National Missions was duly directed to proceed with the work of organization, if the way be clear, and as soon as arrangements could be completed."

On November 10th the meeting to effect the organization was held in the Avenel Public Library, with The Rev. Herbert K. England of Roselle, chairman of Presbytery's Committee, serving as chairman and conducting the devotions. Dr. Joseph L. Ewing served as clerk of the meeting. About 30 persons were present. At this time the 28 charter members (listed in this booklet) were received -- 14 by certificate, 9 by reaffirmation of faith, and 5 by profession of faith. Several others signified their intention to secure their certificates.

#### The Session (Eldership)

On motion, it was resolved that the organization committee be authorized to name a Moderator and 3 elders of nearby churches to serve temporarily as the Session. Those selected were: The Rev. Chester M. Davis, Moderator, of First Presbyterian Church, Rahway; Mr. William H. Gardner, Elder, of First Presbyterian Church, Woodbridge; Mr. Frederick L. Mintel, Elder, of Second Presbyterian Church, Rahway; and Mr. Howard W. Thorn, Elder, Presbyterian Church, Carteret.



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### Trustees

Messrs. J. J. Donegan, J. Arvid Winquist, and Benjamin B. Clark were elected to serve three, two, and one year terms, respectively, as trustees.

### Corporate Name

On motion of Mrs. William B. Krug, The First Presbyterian Church of Avenel was adopted as the corporate name of the church.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL (Prior to 1927)

In 1871, according to the Woodbridge Independent (newspaper) of Nov. 22, 1929, the first move was made to hold religious services of the Protestant faith by the organizing of a union Sunday school. This was held in the public school on St. George Ave. called the Six Roads School House. Wm. V. McKenzie was the first superintendent, and served two years. Mr. John M. Clark, a pioneer resident of Avenel and a relative of Abraham Clark, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, was the second superintendent and served continuously until 1895.

### First Building Fund

It was during Mr. Clark's superintendency that a building fund was started. \$400.00 was realized at a three-day bazaar. In 1894 the fund reached \$1,000.00.

### First Sunday school Building

In 1895 the Demarest Union Chapel was built on a plot donated by the Realty Trust Company of New York. For several years Sunday school was held there under the leadership of the following superintendents: Thomas Lindsay of Rahway, Mr. Wendelken, S. N. Greenhalgh, B. F. Ellison, and others.\*\* For a time services were discontinued.

About 1919 William H. Gardner of Woodbridge, seeing the need of a Sunday school in Avenel, rejuvenated the work, which has been continued to this time. New trustees were elected, and a building fund inaugurated for a new church. Due to

\*\* Dr. and Mrs. F. H. Albee and Robert Haviland.

the heavy traffic on St. George Ave., endangering (3) the children, the people gathered for worship in the J. W. Browne residence, and in the old community house on Pennsylvania Ave. (1923 and 1924) Then arrangements were made through the Board of Education to hold services in the public school on Avenel Street. Soon after holding services there, it was voted to change the Sunday school from a union school to a Presbyterian Sunday school under the Presbyterian Board of National Missions. Messrs. W. H. Gardner, J. Arvid Winquist and A. E. Schmidt were superintendents. The membership of the school reached 100.

Officers and Teachers of the Avenel Presbyterian Sunday School: Wm. H. Gardner, Supt. and organizer. B. F. Ellisen, Sr., Sec. J. V. D. Robbins, Treas. Teachers: Mrs. L. VanSlyke, Mrs. Mae Greenhalgh, Miss Belle F. Ellison, Miss S. Sabo, Mrs. D. P. DeYoung, and Miss Roda Sabo. From the brief sketch on page two of a printed letter dated June 12, 1929 (an appeal for funds for a church building) "these same people were backers of the church, and were it not for these and a few other faithful ones, the Church would never have survived those trying days in the Club House." It is also noted that E. Ray Cameron was the true pioneer, being the first (student) pastor of the Church, serving from May 6, 1923 to April 26, 1925.

Mr. F. L. Mintel, a charter elder and Exec. Sec. N. J. Christian Endeavor Union attributed the actual beginning of the church project to the enthusiasm of the young people for a place in which to worship and hold their meetings. The local C. E. group was organized in 1925.

#### Supply Ministers and Students

In addition to E. Ray Cameron, Princeton Seminary furnished the following students for the ministry to Avenel: E. A. Wallace (who married Laurabell VanSlyke, and died while serving as a Chaplain in World War II), John Gregory, Robert C. Lockhart, J. E. Haagen, and Clair A. Morrow. In the early part (summer '28 to 3-17-'29) (3-24-'29-1930)

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of 1928 Dr. Duncan M. Cameron, retired minister of Westfield, served as supply pastor.

Dr. J. I. Ewing, Supt. of National Missions of N. J., was helpful in the new venture.

#### The Church Property on Woodbridge Avenue.

The land of the present original church building (1929 cornerstone time) on Woodbridge Avenue was formerly owned by John M. Clark (Supt. for many years), and donated by his son, Benjamin B. Clark. The frontage was 116.83 feet and the Kirk St. side extended (toward highways 1 and 25) 153.73 feet. The rear of the lot was about 85 ft. And the fourth side measured 150 ft. That was Deed 719, Jan. 28, 1930, recorded Jan. 30, 1930. Deed 1888, March 6, 1930, recorded March 20, 1930 covers the same land as shown in deed 719 but does not have the restriction in it as to reverting to the Presbytery of Elizabeth (for such a clause is unnecessary due to church law, all property reverting to Presbytery in case of failure, etc.)

Other deeds which cover the property in 1952:

Deed 5442, B. B. Clark to First Presbyterian Church of Avenel, June 12, 1931, recorded June 15, 1931. This covers the land for the manse, being connected to the original land and measuring 83.17 feet front and back and 150 ft. in depth. A donation. (Note: The 1950 building addition cuts off a slight piece of the manse land.)

Deed 2911, B. B. Clark to First Presbyterian Church of Avenel, July 1, 1933, recorded July 26, 1933. This is extra land behind the church property and measures 166.33 ft. by 150 ft. by 132.66 ft. by 153.72 ft., being an extension (toward highways 1 and 25) of church-manse property. A donation.

Deed 5349, B. B. Clark and First Presbyterian Church of Avenel, March 12, 1947, recorded July 18, 1949. More extra land 51.24 ft. beyond above land, measuring 207.06', 138.73', 207.06', 138.73' \$500.00 paid.



BUILDING COMMITTEES and CORNERSTONE LAYINGS (5)

1928 Building Committee - A. M. Smith, Sr., P. A. Cunningham, Sr., and J. B. Labat (Minutes of 5-29-28)

1928 Building Fund Committee - Wm. H. Gardner, J. J. Donegan, B. B. Clark, and J. A. Winquist.

1929 Building Fund Boosters - The Ladies' Aid Society, with 23 members, had \$650.34 in the Building Fund account, Mrs. Pomeroy reported. The same year Dorothy Ellison, treasurer of the Christian Endeavor Society, reported \$100.00 in its Building Fund. At that time 33 members were in the group. Marion Raigrie was president. Mrs. A. Schmidt reported \$25.00 in the Building Fund of the Jr. C. E. Society. 25 members.

1929 Cornerstone Laying - On November 24 at 3:00 o'clock about 150 attended this ceremony in spite of exceedingly inclement weather. The program was held in the church building, with only the actual laying of the cornerstone and the benediction in the open, according to the Woodbridge Independent of Nov. 29, 1929. The program; F. J. Mintel conducted the services, leading in the responsive reading. The Rev. Ernest Abbott, Woodbridge, had the dedication prayer. Hon. Wm. A. Ryan, mayor of Woodbridge (township), greetings. C. A. Morrow brought greetings from the church. The Rev. Herbert K. England, Chairman of National Missions Committee and Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Elizabeth, J. B. Labat, President of Board of Trustees, C. E. Peterson, builder and William Finne, architect, assisted the Rev. C. M. Davis, Moderator of the Avenel church, of Rahway First Church, in the laying of the cornerstone, and the benediction was pronounced by the Rev. James W. Laurie, of the Second Church, Rahway.

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Dedication of new church April 6, 1930, 3:15 p.m.

The program from a printed copy in the historical file:

Prelude. Hymn - "How Firm a Foundation."

Responsive Reading #29. Gloria. The Moderator's Declaration, The Rev. W. G. Felmeth, Moderator of the Presbytery of Elizabeth. Anthem ("The Spacious Firmament" according to Mrs. Krug, Organist.)

Brief History, The Rev. G. A. Liggett, Ph. D., Springfield. Scripture, The Rev. E. S. Abbott, Woodbridge. Act of Dedication with minister and people taking part. Solo by Mrs. Hermina E. Browné, Newark. Dedicatory Prayer, Dr. J. L. Ewing, Supt. National Missions, N. J. Announcements, Clair A. Morrow, Pastor. Offering, The Rev. James W. Lauric, Second Church, Rahway. Dedicatory Address, The Rev. Wm. K. McKinney, D.D., Westfield. Prayer, The Rev. C. M. Davis, 1st Church, Rahway, and Moderator of (Avenel) Session. Hymn, "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation". Benediction and Postlude.

Mr. John B. Labat was the treasurer of the 1928-29 Building Fund and also of the 1950 Building Fund.

#### The 1950 Addition to the Church

In 1929 the population of Avenel was estimated at 1,500. For ten years there was little growth in the community. Since 1939 hundreds of new houses have been built in the Avenel area of approximately  $2\frac{1}{2}$  square miles. New highways and large manufacturing plants in the general area and the desire of residents to move from cities like Newark, Elizabeth, Kearney and Jersey City brought more people to communities like Avenel and Colonia. The church and its school and organizations grew considerably in the decade from 1939 to 1949.

On Nov. 27, 1945 when a farewell dinner was given in honor of Dr. and Mrs. W. K. McKinney the old mortgage was burned. (Trustee Minutes) The Forward Movement Campaign, 1943-45, raised the \$7,500. needed. Creditors cancelled another \$1,750.

On Nov. 27, 1949, after Mr. Galloway had left to serve the Matawan Presbyterian Church and when Mr. Warman was pastor-elect but not yet on the field, the Ground-Breaking Ceremony for the new addition which included the enlargement of the sanctuary and a connecting building for Church School and other purposes was held, with the following taking part: Kenneth Taggart, elder & supt. of Church School, Chairman. Dr. C. M. Davis, Rahway, The Rev. E. H. Devanny, Woodbridge, The Rev. C. A. Galloway, Matawan, Dr. W. K. McKinney, Westfield, Dr. H. K. England, Dunellen, Mayor August Greiner, Woodbridge, and William Fankenstern, Chairman Board of Trustees and Building Committee. There were about 50 present at the afternoon hour.

Preliminary arrangements with the Presbytery and the Board of National Missions had been made by Mr. Galloway and officials of the church and an agreement with Pierson & MacWilliam, Metuchen, architects, and J. Arvid Winquist, Avenel, contractor for a base bid of \$59,800 before the call of Mr. Warman as the new minister. The 44-page booklet of Specifications of Labor & Material for Alterations and Additions to the First Presbyterian Church located on Woodbridge Ave., Avenel bears the date of Sept. 28, 1949.

1950 Cornerstone Laying - On Sunday, March 26, 1950 at 3:00 o'clock an appropriate ceremony was held with the first part of the service in the original sanctuary and the laying of the 1950 cornerstone (which had a copper box with many contents, noted on a special printed program) outdoors at the side entrance of the new building. Those who took part are as follows: Inside - Mrs. Wm. B. Krug, Organist. Mrs. Kenneth Taggart, Senior Choir Directress; The Senior Choir, The Rev. E. H. Devanny, Woodbridge, responsive reading; O. H. Weferling, Chr. Cornerstone Laying Com., welcome; Hon. August F. Greiner, Mayor of Woodbridge Township, greetings; Dr. W. K. McKinney, Westfield, Scripture (I Peter 2:1-10); Dr. R. M. Skinner, Westfield, message; The Congregation, which sang "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation" as the processional, and "The Church's One Foundation" as the recessional; and

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outside--The Rev. Bruce W. Evans, Moderator of the Presbytery of Elizabeth, Springfield, a brief message; Mr. J. P. Ettershank, Sr., new Chairman Building Committee, and the Rev. W. W. Warman, pastor, placing the stone with the assistance of Mason Contractor Joseph Leone, Rahway; and The Rev. F. W. Druckenmiller, Conn. Farms, Union, prayer and benediction. Coffee and doughnuts were served in the old social room. 118 attended.

Dedication of the Enlarged Sanctuary and the Educational Building Sunday, Sept 24, 1950, 3:30 p.m.

The ushers counted 329 people packed in the new enlarged sanctuary and in the adjoining choir room present at this service during which the following had a part. Mrs. William B. Krug, Organist; Mrs. K. Taggart, Senior Choir Directress; The Rev. Ralph T. Haas, Crescent Ave. Church, Plainfield and Moderator of the Presbytery of Elizabeth, invocation; Dr. Wm. K. McKinney, Westfield, responsive reading; The Rev. C. A. Galloway, Matawan, Scripture, Nehemiah 4:1-23; J. P. Ettershank, Sr., Chr. Building Com., delivery of keys; Dr. C. M. Davis, Rahway, prayer; The Rev. R. T. Haas, prayer of dedication with congregation responding; Dr. S. M. Robinson, 2nd Church, Elizabeth, sermon, "The Builder" (text: Neh. 4:6); adjournment to new Church School auditorium, through the choir room; The Rev. E. H. Devamy, Woodbridge, prayer; Hon. A. F. Greiner, Mayor of Woodbridge Township, greetings; J. P. Ettershank, Sr., presentation of keys to K. Taggart, Church School Supt. "Blest be the tie that binds", benediction and Choral "AMEN". The Rev. W. W. Warman presided and assisted throughout the dedication service. The hymns used in the sanctuary were "The Church's one Foundation", "Founded on Thee", and "Old Hundredth". Refreshments were served. The Senior Choir sang "Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty" by Hosmer during the service in the sanctuary.



- CLAIR ARCHIE MORROW.** Born Gentry, Ark., 1-31-01. Occidental College, '24. P.T.S., '30. Ordained 6-20-30. Installed Avenel 6-20-30. Relationship dissolved 11-15-30. Served Bolmar, N. J. and 1st Church Fresno, Cal. Married to A. Eleanor Widney. Children: Richard David, b. 1932; John Charles, b. 1936.
- ROBERT I. MAC BRIDE.** Born Liverpool, England 7-29-65. N.Y.U., '90. M.A., '00. P.T.S., '91. Union T.S., '93. Ph. D., N.Y.U., '15. Pastor Sugar Hill & Monterey, N. Y.; Cooperstown; 3d Ref. Church, Albany; Bethany, Trenton; Rensselaer, N.Y.; Stony Point; Collingswood; Hillside; Avenel. Ordained 6-7-93. Installed 1-16-31. Relationship dissolved 1-8-40. Married Louise Wacchter. No children. Died 1-8-40.
- CHESTER A. GALLOWAY.** Born Plainfield, N. J. 6-29-11. Newark Col. of Eng., Rutgers, P.T.S. '42. Ordained 5-3-42. Installed 5-24-42. Relationship dissolved 10-15-49. Chaplain, U.S.N.R. '43-'45. Pastor Matawan, N. J. Married Kathryn Terry. Children: Terry Ann and Chester Warren.
- WILLIAM KERR MC KINNEY.** Born Whitehills, Co. Antrim, Ireland, 5-29-76. Roy Un. '97; Magee College, Theol. Dept. '97; P.T.S. '00. Ordained 7-10-00. Home miss. Adirondack Mts. '98-'99. Pastor Hammonton, N.J.; Bridgeport, Pa.; Danville, Pa., Bellefonte, Pa.; Westfield, N. J. P. E. Westfield Church '42-'52. Stated Supply from '43-'45; Moderator late '49. Died 2-26-52. Married Margaret Elizabeth Graham. No children.
- WARREN WALTON WARREN.** Born Bound Brook, N. J. 8-25-02. Maryville College, '34. P.T.S. '38. Ordained 7-14-38. Installed 12-7-49. Married Mary Schwartz. Children: Mary Catharine, Doris Ann. Pastor at Jefferson Presby. Parish; Moderator Clarion Presbytery '41-'42; Lebanon, Pa. Christ Church.
- P. E. - Pastor Emeritus.  
P. T. S. - Princeton Theological Seminary.

ROLL of ELDERS and Year Elected

\* On Session 1952

Mintel, F. L.	1927	Schmidt, A. E.	1938
Gardner, W. H.	1927	Tuttle, H.A. II	1938
Thorn, Howard W.	1927	Winguist, J. A.	1939
Detweiler, Wm. H.	1931	Wittnebert, E. W.	1939
Bischoff, Christian	1931	Rasmussen, A. T. *	1942
Nottage, C. A.	1931	Seward, B. F. *	1942
Balgrie, John W.	1932	Ettershank, JP, Sr. *	1942
Longstreet, C. H.	1932	Green, Spencer	1945
Ellison, B. F. <del>Sr.</del> ✓	1933	Morgan, J. E. *	1946
Ramberg, Leon C.	1933	Shaffer, Andrew	1947
Jones, Merwin F.	1935	Beckley, Fred. *	1949
Lomax, Joseph	1936	Lott, Fred *	1949
Greenhalgh, Howard	1937	Taggart, K.	1949
Johnson, Wm. H. *	1937	Weferling, O.H. *	1949

CLERKS of the SESSION

Mintel, F. L.	1928-31
Detweiler, Wm. H.	1931-34; 1944-45
Jones, Merwin F.	1935-36
Longstreet, C. H.	1938-?
(No Session minutes from April 18, '39 to early April, 1940)	
Tuttle, H. A., II	1940-42 (Dec.)
Johnson, Wm. H.	1943-44
Ettershank, J. P. Sr.	1946-48 (Jan.)
Rasmussen, A. T.	1948-

Dr. R. I. MacBride was Clerk pro tem '34-35; '36-37. The Rev. J. L. Ewing was Acting Clerk of the Nov. 10, 1927 meeting and Elder Wm. H. Gardner is mentioned as Clerk of the Dec. 4, 1927 meeting, minutes signed by F. L. Mintel.

Commissioners to General Assembly

J. P. Ettershank, Sr., Elder, - Grand Rapids, 1947  
The Rev. C. A. Galloway, Minister - Seattle, 1948

ROLL of DEACONS and Year Elected

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\* On Board 1952

Wittnebert, Mrs. E. W.	1941	Gery, Mrs. Wm. E.	* 1944
Kunie, Mrs. Wm.	1941	Detweiler, Mrs. W.	* 1944
Brecka, Mrs. Frank *	1941	Whitley, Mrs. Wm.	* 1946
Johnson, Mrs. Wm. H. *	1941	Hobbs, Mrs. E. C.	* 1946
Joy, Mrs. J. H., Sr.	1941	Nier, Mrs. Carl	* 1949
Pomeroy, Mrs. Alice M.	1941	Mezera, Mrs. C.	* 1949
Baker, Mrs. H. J.	1942	Clark, Mrs. W.	1949
Russell, Miss Matilda	1942	Myers, Mrs. R.	* 1949
Morgan, Mrs. J. E.	1942	Krutzler, Mrs. J.	* 1949
Zieseniss, Mrs. A.	1943	Seward, Mrs. B.	* 1950
		Beckley, Mrs. Fred	* 1952

ROLL of TRUSTEES and Year Elected

\* On Board 1952

Donegan, J. J.	1927	Smith, A. M., Jr.	1939
Winquist, J. A.	1927	Ettershank, J.P.Sr.	*1941
Clark, B. B.	1927	Krogh, Carl	1942
Labat, J. B.	1928	Morgan, J. E.	1942
Cunningham, P. A., Sr.	1928	Knott, Walter	1942
Smith, Andrew M., Sr.	1928	Shaffer, Andrew	1943
Ayres, Herbert F.	1929	Shaffer, Stephen *	1943
Pomeroy, Lendal W.	1929	Prasser, P. O.Sr.	1943
McKenzie, Charles	1933	Myers, Richard	1944
Filer, James J.	1933	Falkenstern, Wm. *	1944
Jones, Merwin F.	1933	Mazurek, C.	1944
Ayres, Harvey F.	1933	Gribble, Ray, Sr.	1946
Siessel, C. R., Sr.	1933	Kosic, Ed. *	1947
Ellison, B. F., Sr.	1933	Speece, Edmund	1947
Seward, B. F.	1934	Plennert, N. *	1947
Beckley, Fred	1935	Jamison, C. H. *	1948
Pomeroy, Mrs. Alice	1935	Vigh, Mrs. S. *	1948
DeYoung, Mrs. Dirk	1935	Weferling, Mrs. O.H.	1948
Gery, Wm. E.	1936	Rhodes, Joseph *	1950
Rasmussen, A. T.	1937	Hunter, Andrew *	1950
Aumack, Norman	1937	Pinkham, S.A., Jr.	1950
Mezera, Charles	1938	Benson, Wilfred	1950
Johnson, Mrs. Wm.	1938	Kayser, G.A., Sr.	1951
		Head, Herbert *	1952

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COMMUNICANT MEMBERS - Chronological List

\*On Active Roll - 1952

CHARTER MEMBERS - November 10, 1927

Dirk B. De-Young	Mrs. William B. Krug*
Mrs. Elta B. De Young	Andrew M. Smith, Sr.
Benjamin B. Clark	Mrs. A. M. Smith, Sr.
A. Alida Van Slyke	Wilhelmina Smith
Mrs. Laura B. Van Slyke	Irma Smith
Esther Van Slyke*	Amanda Smith
Mrs. Josephine M. Green	Charles R. Siessel, Sr.*
Percy A. Cunningham, Sr.	Mrs. C. R. Siessel, Sr.*
Mrs. F. A. Cunningham, Sr.	Charles R. Siessel, Jr.*
John J. Donegan, Sr.	Mrs. Alice M. Pomeroy
Mrs. John J. Donegan, Sr.	Mrs. Mary Crede
John J. Donegan, Jr.	Agnes Crede
Marie Donegan	Mrs. Hiram I. Tuttle, Sr.*
Marjorie Donegan	Helen Tuttle*

December 4, 1927

Herbert F. Ayres	Andrew Lockie
Donald Baigrie	Jean Lockie
Marion Baigrie	Thomas Lockie
Hedwig Burgmueller	Erlton Pomeroy
Catherine W. Christman	Stephen Sabo
Jean Esther De Young	Alfred Edward Schmidt
Ruth Evelyn De Young	Miriam Sermayan
Dorothy M. Ellison*	Andrew M. Smith, Jr.*
William Hardy Krug*	Martha Weimer
J. Arvid Winquist*	

March 17, 1929

Marjorie V. Donegan	Craig Titzel Senft
Norma C. Donegan	Dorothy Edna Smith
Alvin Howard Jensen*	Hiram A. Tuttle, II*
Arthur C. Peterson*	

June 30, 1929

Harvey F. Ayres	Benjamin F. Ellison, Jr.
Mrs. Harvey F. Ayres	Roland Hughes
Mrs. Minnie D. Baigrie	Mrs. Roland Hughes
Benjamin F. Ellison, Sr.	Emma Leonard
Mrs. B. F. Ellison, Sr.	Mrs. George M. Leonard*



June 30, 1929 (contd.)

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Jennie Leonard\* Lendal W. Pomeroy  
Mary Mowbray Mrs. John Schunsberg

October 27, 1929

Frank Thomas Benson\* Mrs. Clair A. Morrow  
Mrs. Frank T. Benson\* Florence Schunsberg\*

Helen Solomon

January 26, 1930

Mrs. C. A. Nottage Edward Atkinson Pomeroy  
Bernard Francis Smith

April 13, 1930

Marion Welly Barth Joseph Gocze  
Robert Crawford Benjamin Mrs. Dorothea H. Lauder  
Mrs. R. C. Benjamin Mrs. Charles Longstreet  
Mrs. Jennie D. Bernard Mrs. Susan Crede Osborne  
Katherine Bernard Theresa Margaret Peterson  
Conrad Charles Crede Fred Henry Weimer  
Claire Roberta DenBleyker George Weimer, Jr.  
Elizabeth G. Gocze\* Lillian Vivian Weimer

September 28, 1930

Christian Bishoff Mrs. Daniel DenBleyker  
Mrs. Christian Bishoff Mrs. Sarah Gregory Lomax  
Frank Joseph Brecka\* Mrs. Bertha M. Michelo  
Mrs. Frank Brecka\* William Allen Thurston

William Walter Weimer

April 5, 1931

Ivan Leonard Anderson Mrs. Walter Hicinbothem  
John Richard Anderson\* Mrs. Mildred Wood Jensen\*  
Audrey Marion Bird\* John B. Labat\*  
Mary K. Detweiler Mrs. J. B. Labat  
Paul V. Detweiler Mary Elizabeth LaBat\*  
William H. Detweiler\* Mrs. Robert I. MacBride  
Mrs. William H. Detweiler\* Chester Arthur Nottage  
Mrs. Edward Grode\* Mrs. Frederick Sheppard  
Gertrude Anna Grode Margaret Solomon  
Walter Hicinbothem Mrs. Margaret M. Wheelock

July, 1931

Richard William Siessel\* Ruth Marie Siessel\*

January 31, 1932

John W. Baigrie Mrs. Leon C. Ramberg  
Charles H. Longstreet Leon Charles Ramberg

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March 24, 1932

Winona Carroll Benjamin Virginia Manaker  
Clarence Leonard\* Charles J. Mezera\*

March 25, 1932

Thomas Robert DenBleyker Joseph Shaffer\*  
Edward Michael Gocze Susan Shaffer\*

June 23, 1932

Mrs. Lee D. Belden Mrs. Martha Schorling

Mrs. James R. Weimer

June 25, 1932

Leon Ramberg

October 7, 1932

Marion Elizabeth Leonard\* John W. Wilkinson

October 9, 1932

Johnson Hagood Ella Wilkinson  
Mrs. Johnson Hagood Mrs. John W. Wilkinson

January 4, 1933

Merwin Frederick Jones Mrs. Merwin F. Jones

March 29, 1933

Anna Gilo Ann Marie Gardner\*  
John Gilo Caroline R. Gardner  
Mary Gilo Joseph F. Perry\*  
Lilke Gilo Lester E. Weiler

Mrs. Lester E. Weiler

April 7, 1933

George H. Acton Mrs. Lewis H. Acton  
Lewis H. Acton Mrs. Wilhelmina Smith

April 9, 1933

Ralph W. Wheeler

June 25, 1933

Roy Hancock Mrs. Roy Hancock

January 12, 1934

Mrs. Florence Azud Mrs. Catherine S. Herbert  
Edward H. Herbert Burton Seward\*

Mrs. Burton Seward\*

January 14, 1934

Francis DeRuyter Riack Mrs. Francis D. Riack

March 18, 1934

Mrs. L. C. Perier\*

March 25, 1934

William Baker, Sr.\* Howard L. Greenhalgh  
Mrs. Wm. Baker, Sr.\* Mrs. H. L. Greenhalgh

March 25, 1934 - (contd.) (15)

S. N. Greenhalgh Mrs. S. N. Greenhalgh

Joseph James Lomax

March 30, 1934

W. J. Denman Andrew Palculich

Mrs. W. J. Denman John Pintak, Jr.

April 1, 1934

H. J. Baker Thomas A. Gocze

Mrs. H. J. Baker Burnett Leonard\*

Inga Caroline Behrens Florence Leonard\*

Thomas Benson Ruth Leonard\*

Wilfred Benson\* Gertrude Dorothy Nier

Louise Bergmueller\* Kenneth Peterson\*

Margaret Bergmueller\* Ralph Peterson\*

Melva Clayton Frances Ramberg

Alexander Czilo Lucille Ramberg

George Czilo Matilda Russell\*

John Toth

Sept. 26, 1934

Dorothy Edith Rothwell

Jan. 4, 1935

August Kaufmann Mrs. August Kaufmann

March 24, 1935

Evelyn Kaufmann Mrs. E. W. Wittnebert

E. W. Wittnebert Whitford N. Wittnebert\*

March 31, 1935

Edward Michael Gocze Elizabeth Geraldine Gocze\*

Dec. 29, 1935

William E. Gery\* Mrs. William E. Gery\*

March 29, 1936

Ruth E. Gery\* Mrs. Malvina C. Joy

Edward Grode Dorothy E. Magargal

Joseph Heath Joy, Jr. Irene Pinkocze\*

October 4, 1936

William H. Johnson\* Mrs. Wm. H. Johnson\*

Dec. 29, 1937

Mrs. Josephine H. Brower Joyce Johnson\*

Mrs. Morris Danley\* Olive Johnson\*

Sara Elizabeth Danley\* George Shaffer\*

March 18, 1938

Edwin Dea Mrs. Edwin Dea

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April 10, 1938

Norman Ashmore\* Wm. MacBride Cielland  
Doris A. Dietrich\* Constance P. Pratt  
Doris E. Parkas\* Edna May Rogers  
Helen M. Hofgesang\* Gloria Naomi Smith  
Augusta G. Herman Grace Carolyn Soloman  
Mrs. Isabelle Cielland Mrs. Joyce Godson Tuttle\*  
Frank Stephen Vigh\*

April 17, 1938

Norman Aumach Andrew M. Smith, Jr.\*  
John Ashmore\* Mrs. John Ashmore\*

October 4, 1940

John P. Ettershank, Sr.\* L. Carlin Krogh\*  
Mrs. J. P. Ettershank, Sr.\* Mrs. L. C. Krogh\*  
Mrs. Margo Cielland Fullarton D. Albert Henderson  
Mrs. Herbert Head, Sr. Mrs. A. F. Moore\*

October 6, 1940

Mrs. Elizabeth Henderson

Dec. 6, 1940

Edward Chappel Mrs. John E. Glendenning\*  
Mrs. Caroline Chappel Jean Leonard\*  
John E. Glendenning\* Joseph Pinkocze\*  
Mrs. J. W. Thompson\*

April 10, 1942

Howard Ashmore\* Joseph McClue\*  
William Baker, Jr.\* Mrs. J. Mc Clue\*  
Garret Den Bleyker, Jr.\* John E. Morgan\*  
Mrs. Garret Den Bleyker, Sr.\* Mrs. J. E. Morgan\*  
Mrs. Louis Engelman\* Earl Mulford  
Mrs. R. Howe\* Mrs. E. Mulford  
Mrs. John W. Johnson\* Charles Nier\*  
Gustave Koch, Sr.\* Doris Phelps  
Paul Koch\* Mrs. Aaron Pinkocze\*

Florence Tjornlund

Oct. 5, 1941

Mrs. Mary Baker Mrs. Daniel MacArthur\*  
Charlotte Cook Mrs. J. E. Peterson\*  
Mrs. Robert Grimley Robert Rieker  
Robert Grimley Mrs. John Syme\*  
Mrs. Thomas Hill\* Mary Syme\*



January 4, 1942

(17)

Joseph Chipponeri*	Samuel Knott
Mrs. Joseph Chipponeri*	Mrs. Samuel Knott
Mrs. Jacob Dietrich, Sr.*	George Wm. Schardien
Rubin Greco*	
Mrs. John Kerekes*	

April 2, 1942

John Beckley	Mrs. George Mundy*
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June 21, 1942

Mrs. Anna Barton	Mrs. Kalman Madgyesy
Nevin R. Bierly	Richard Myers*
Mrs. N. R. Bierly	Mrs. Richard Myers*
Mrs. C. A. Galloway	Geraldine Perry*
Mrs. Wm. A. Graham*	Mrs. Joseph Perry*
Gustave Koch, Jr.*	Robert A. Perry*
Mrs. Alex McDermott*	Mrs. L. Zieseniss*

Sept. 17, 1942

Jane Moore*	(member before this; error in records)
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Sept. 27, 1942

Spencer F. Green*	Mrs. S. F. Green*
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Oct. 15, 1942

Betty Cilo

Winter of 1942-43 likely (error)

Andrew Shaffer*	Stephen Shaffer*
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Feb. 28, 1943

Elmer Edmond Hobbs*	Andrew I. Peterson*
Mary Louise Monson*	Janet Louise Young*
Rosser Lee Parker*	

April 22, 1943

Mrs. Walter M. Cook*	Louise Seward*
Margaret Hotchkiss*	Mrs. George L. Whitley*
Mrs. Walter Parker*	Mrs. William Whitley*

June 10, 1943

Mrs. H. S. Seward	Mrs. M. E. Syers
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Sept. 29, 1943

Charles Robert Schaefer	Gloria Marie Schaefer
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March 5, 1944

Marjorie Rose Bell*	Joseph Spencer Green*
Ben. F. Den Bleyker*	Helen Emily Seidner
Joseph Farkas*	Jack Louis Rosenbater*
Mrs. Joseph Farkas*	Jean Gansway Antille
Robert J. Farkas*	

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March 26, 1944

Mrs. William Heaton\* Mrs. C. R. Siessel, Jr.\*

Dec. 3, 1944

J. P. Ettershank, Jr.\* Gloria Mazurek  
Lucy Elizabeth Hobbs\* Doris Mae Myers\*  
Mrs. Arnold Larson\* Donland H. Payne

Mrs. D. H. Payne

March 4, 1945

Robert Donland Campbell\* Gertrude Thergeson  
John F. Gardner, Jr.\* Jeane Carol Thergeson

March 29, 1945

Carl H. Britton\* Daniel Howell\*  
Mrs. C. H. Britton\* Mrs. Daniel Howell\*

Dec. 2, 1945

Jean Eleanor Austin Florence J. Gribble\*  
Ethel Janet Cegledy\* Jewel Dolores Lott\*  
Joan Barbara Farkas\* Doris P. Prasser\*  
Martha Flockhart\* Mrs. Margaret Turner\*

Judy Ann Zieseniss\*

Feb. 3, 1946

Mrs. Arthur Franklin\* Mrs. Theresa Prince  
Mrs. E. C. Hobbs\* Mrs. P. M. Strothers\*

Feb. 10, 1946

Arthur Franklin\* Chester De Castillia\*  
Mrs. C. De Castillia\*

(Likely before this:)March 12, 1946

Mrs. Rubin Greco\* James Hudson  
Janice Harris\* Marilyn Hudson  
Mrs. E. Hudson Mrs. Frank Mazzur\*

Adolph T. Rasmussen\*

April 14, 1946

Arthur J. Bietsch, Sr.\* Walter Meyer\*  
Mrs. A. J. Bietsch, Sr.\* Mrs. Walter Meyer\*  
Mrs. David Davis\* C. G. Myer, M. D.  
J. Raymond Gribble, Sr.\* Mrs. C. G. Myer  
Mrs. J. R. Gribble, Sr.\* Walter Strom  
William Kissane\* Mrs. Walter Strom  
Mrs. William Kissane\* Mrs. Harold VanNess\*  
Virginia Marhoffer\* Mrs. G. K. Young\*

April 18, 1946

Frederick Lott\* Harold Pitchell\*  
Mrs. Frederick Lott\* Claramae Strom\*

October 6, 1946

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Harold Handerhan\* Mrs. Milton Lagergren  
Mrs. Harold Handerhan\* George Sears\*  
Milton Lagergren Mrs. George Sears\*

November 25, 1946

Lois Rolle\* Mrs. Stephen Vigh\*

December 1, 1946

Mrs. Frank A. Cenegey\* Nancy Perry\*  
Frank Carl Cenegey\* Jane Zieseniss\*

January 25, 1947

Mrs. Edward Kosic\* Mrs. N. Plennert\*  
Mrs. Sarah Throckmorton

February 2, 1947

Nicholas Plennert\*

March 30, 1947

John Mason\* William C. Franklin\*

April 3, 1947

J. K. Blumer\* Mrs. Andrew Hunter\*  
Mrs. J. K. Blumer\* Clarence Jamison\*  
Andrew Hunter\* Mrs. Clarence Jamison\*

May 25, 1947

Mrs. Andrew Jacob\*

Sept. 28, 1947

Robert S. Gassaway\* Joseph M. Rhodes\*  
Mrs. R. S. Gassaway\* Mrs. J. M. Rhodes\*  
Francis Arthur Herman\* Kenneth Z. Taggart\*  
Mrs. F. A. Herman\* Mrs. K. Z. Taggart\*  
Mrs. Philip Prasser, Sr.\*

November 30, 1947

Herbert Stephen\*

March 24, 1948

Frederick Beckley\* Herbert Hansen\*  
Mrs. Frederick Beckley\* Mrs. Herbert Hansen\*  
Charles Brown\* Stephen Kojic\*  
Mrs. Charles Brown\* Edward Kosic\*  
Mrs. Adrian H. DeYoung\* Howard Kramer\*  
Jacob Dietrich, Jr.\* Mrs. Howard Kramer\*  
Mrs. Jacob Dietrich, Jr.\* James Krueger\*  
William Falkenstern\* Mrs. James Krueger\*  
Mrs. William Falkenstern\* Arnold Larson\*  
William Fromater\* Mrs. James D. Howell\*  
Mrs. Walter Henry Coos\* Mrs. Carl Nier\*

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March 24, 1948 - contd.

Ronald Nier*	Mrs. Arthur Peterson*
Mrs. James O'Brien*	Mrs. Walter Rosebrock*
John E. Oliver*	Lois Snowfield*
Mrs. W. L. Petersen, Sr.*	O. H. Weferling*
Mrs. James Petrow*	Mrs. O. H. Weferling*

June 13, 1948

Harold L. Barr*	George Henry Hunt*
Mrs. H. L. Barr*	Kenneth C. Hunt*
Norman H. Barr*	Mrs. K. C. Hunt*
Mrs. Richard Birmeli*	Mrs. F. A. Leidner, Sr.*
Victor Christofferson*	Anton Novak*
Mrs. V. Christofferson*	Mrs. Anton Novak*
Mrs. William T. Clark*	June Novak*
Ralph Doll*	Andrew W. Peterson*
Wendel Doll*	Mrs. A. W. Peterson*
Mrs. Wendel Doll*	Mrs. R. J. Snowfield*

Mrs. J. A. Tokoly\*

October 3, 1948

Mrs. Thomas Lane*	Robert E. Rogers*
Lewis S. Oakley*	Charles Sermayan, Jr.*
Mrs. L. S. Oakley	Harold VanNess*
Sidney A. Pinkham, Jr.*	Mrs. Clarence Weygand*
Mrs. S. A. Pinkham, Jr.*	George K. Young*

February 6, 1949

Thomas H. Bethea*	Mrs. G. A. Kayser, Sr.*
Mrs. T. H. Bethea*	Carl E. Ruesch*
Charles R. Harris*	Mrs. Carl E. Ruesch*
Mrs. C. R. Harris*	Mrs. C. Schrettner*
G. A. Kayser, Sr.*	Mrs. Joseph Ziemba*

April 12, 1949

Helen L. Bietsch*	John E. Schork*
Annabelle A. Cullen*	Mrs. John E. Schork*
Herbert Head, Sr.*	Mrs. Dale W. Scott*
Mrs. Christian Jungbluth*	Ramona C. Stoll*
Nancy Palmer*	Reinhart Thorsen*
Carol Petz*	Mrs. Reinhart Thorsen*
Russell F. Schaal*	Charles A. Vigh*
Mrs. R. F. Schaal*	Jack Warren*

Barbara E. Weferling\*

June 5, 1949 - Mrs. Paul Knips, Sr.\*

Nov. 25, 1949 - Mrs. W. W. Warman\*



March 14, 1950

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John T. Anderson*	Florence E. Leidner*
Mrs. J. T. Anderson*	Richard Pearson Mazzur*
Barbara Bierly	Henrietta Merring*
Beverly Davis*	Robert Ernest Nier*
Dolores E. DeYoung*	Charlotte Schafer*

March 28, 1950

Leo Barnaby*	John Hill*
Larry Ray Bush*	Julius Anton Huber*
Reba Cullen*	Mrs. J. A. Huber*
Joan I. Decker*	Charles W. Kayser*
John M. Fetsko, Jr.*	G. A. Kayser, Jr.*
Patricia Fox*	George J. Radtke*
Wm. Guy Graham*	Dorothy E. Lane*
Harold Duane Hanson*	Robert Rhodes*

George Gassaway\*

April 1, 1950

Adrian John DeYoung*	Mrs. Joseph F. Olah
Raymond J. Gribble, Jr.*	Frank M. Rankham*
Robert G. Kayser*	

April 2, 1950 - William Tinsdale, Jr.\*

April 6, 1950

Gustave Albert Leidner*	Douglas T. Seward*
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May 9, 1950

Mrs. Chester Case*	Mrs. Arthur Vetland*
Elsie Syme*	

May 21, 1950

David R. Campbell*	Mrs. D. R. Campbell*
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June 1, 1950

Hugh MacKenzie*	Mrs. Joseph Scott*
Mrs. Hugh MacKenzie*	John Syms*

July 9, 1950

Edward W. Gibson*	Ernest Toth*
Mrs. E. W. Gibson*	Mrs. Ernest Toth*

August 6, 1950

Mrs. Henry Chester*	Mrs. E. F. Howes*
Edward F. Howes*	John J. Toth*

Mrs. John F. Toth\*

October 5, 1950

Mrs. Arthur R. Bryer*	Charles H. Schindt*
Mrs. Wm. Loughran*	Mrs. C. E. Schindt*

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October 10, 1950

Arnold H. Jensen\* Mrs. A. H. Jensen\*

Oct. 15, 1950 - Arthur R. Bryer\*

Dec. 3, 1950

William C. Falkenstern\* Melvin H. Fullington\*

Mrs. M. H. Fullington\*

Jan. 3, 1951

Alida Alexandra Wallace\* Mrs. E. A. Wallace\*

Wilson C. Wallace\*

Feb. 4, 1951

Daniel H. Burdeshaw\* James G. Franklin\*

Howard R. Reyder\*

March 11, 1951

Barbara Becker\* Carolyn Knapp\*

Carol Bierly Florence Knapp\*

Mrs. D. H. Burdeshaw\* Laura Lane\*

Donald DeBleyker\* A. Wayne Paffrath\*

Cora May Gisin\* Philip O. Prasser, Jr.\*

Barbara Howell\* Erna VanCleft\*

Donald N. Jacobi\* Shirley E. Wassel\*

Mar. 13, 1951 - Alverna Ann Krogh\*

Mar. 16, 1951 - Deloris C. Bush\*

Mar. 22, 1951 - Mrs. Gerald Bush\*

Jun. 3, 1951 - Jay Hoffman\*

Oct. 7, 1951

Grace Campbell\* Peggy Limmeroth\*

Mrs. Peter Cocuzza\* Frank Zoltan Vargo\*

Mrs. Lloyd Hopkins

Nov. 13, 1951

Wilbert F. Paffrath\* Mrs. W. E. Paffrath\*

Dec. 2, 1951

E. F. Blausey, Jr.\* Henry B. Moe\*

Mrs. E. F. Blausey, Jr.\* M. P. Ostergaard, II\*

Carl W. Haacker\* Mrs. Dominic Pisicoli\*

Mrs. C. W. Haacker\*

Jan. 8, 1952

Albert Aymer\* Mrs. Henry B. Moe\*

Mrs. Albert Aymer\*

Feb. 3, 1952

Mrs. Burnett Leonard\* Mrs. Kalman Madgyesy\*

Charlotte Aileen Lund\* Wm. Henry Morgan\*

(23) Feb. 3, 1952 - contd.

Mrs. Wm. H. Morgan\* Mrs. Wm. S. Morgan\*  
William S. Morgan\* Mrs. F. P. O'Connor\*

Feb. 26, 1952 - Mrs. Stephen Krupey\*

Mar. 11, 1952

Martin DenBleyker, Jr.\* Helen King\*  
Mrs. M. DenBleyker, Jr.\* Mrs. John King\*

Mar. 23, 1952 - Mrs. Gerald DeWorth\*

Mar. 30, 1952

Elmer A. Deak*	Mrs. Elmer A. Deak*
Joyce Eileen Avery*	Sylvia Marie Munzel*
Graham F. Bardsley*	Walter L. Petersen, Jr.*
Norman Howard Berry*	James Potts, Jr.*
Robert Wm. Boland*	Mary Marie Potts*
Carroll E. Britton*	Stephen Prasser*
Robert Arthur Bryer*	Winifred Ida Rolle*
Foster Alvin Burke, Jr.*	Raymond W. Scheuermann*
Muriel Anne Burke*	Randolph B. Schiller*
Robert J. Carstens*	Margaret Ann Siepmann*
Luis Cuevas*	Robert George Siepmann*
Gerald Wm. DeWorth*	Anna Smith*
Robert James Gassaway*	John Charles Smith*
Walter Richard Goos*	Peter Swisstack*
Francis Allen Herman*	Alberta Barbara Tokoly*
Robert Campbell Hill*	Lily Turner*
Arlene Marie Hunt*	Suzanne Maria Turner*
Robert Andrew Hunter*	Hiram A. Tuttle, III*
Mary Jo Kosic*	Mary Catharine Warman*
Robert Carlin Krogh*	Dorothy Lois Weferling*
William Hardy Krug, Jr.*	Patricia June Whitley*
John MacArthur*	Karen Ann Winquist*
Charles Ellison Mezera*	Paul Wolf*
John J. Morris, Jr.*	Evelyn Womelsdorf*

April 3, 1952

Edward F. Parker, Jr.\* John Ernest Temporado\*

April 10, 1952

Howard E. Drummond, Jr.\* Mrs. H. E. Drummond, Jr.\*

June 1, 1952 - Mrs. John Robert Clark\*

June 8, 1952

John Henry Baker\* Virginia Raye King\*

Mrs. J. H. Baker\*

Total since 1927 - 707 with  
474 being on 1952 roll.

"SONS" of the Church. (p.24)

1. The Rev. Christian Bischoff, once an elder here, was ordained a Presbyterian minister on July 1, 1934. After serving in the ministry he died on January 13, 1946 at Newark. Fred Bischoff, believed to be his son, is a Presbyterian minister at Stewartsville, N. J. in 1952.
2. Donald Baigrie, son of the builder of the manse, studied for the ministry, graduating from Princeton Seminary in 1939 but was not ordained as far as we know.
3. John P. Ettershank, Jr., is a candidate for the ministry, being approved by the Presbytery of Elizabeth Dec. 27, 1950. In 1952 he completed his college preparation at Park. He plans to study at McCormick Seminary, Chicago.
4. Frank S. Vigh is a candidate for the ministry being approved by the Presbytery of Elizabeth on Dec. 27, 1950. In 1952 he graduated from Maryville College. His seminary training is to be at Western Seminary, Pittsburgh.

SERVICEMEN -- In World War II there were 84 members and friends of the church in the armed forces, the names being on four framed service rolls. Two of them, George U. Parker and John Cile died. The Rev. C. A. Galloway was a Chaplain in the U. S. N. R. About a dozen are away on account of the Korean war (1950- )

BOARD of TRUSTEES PRESIDENTS and TREASURERS --'28-'52

<u>Presidents</u>	<u>Served</u>	<u>Treasurers</u>	<u>Served</u>
J. B. Lusat	'28-'35	J. J. Donegan	1928
C. Siessel, Sr.	1935	Herbert F. Ayres	1930
B. F. Seward	'35-42	M. F. Jones	1934
John E. Morgan	'43-44	Frod. Beckley	'35-36
P. O. Prassor, Sr.	'44-46	Wm. E. Gery	'36-37
Richard Myers	1947	A. Rasmussen	'37-47
A. Rasmussen	1948	W. Falkenstern	1948
W. Falkenstern	1949	Ed. Kosic Doc.	'48-
Stephen Shaffer	'50-51		
Mrs. S. Vigh	1952		



Register of Marriages

(25)

- 1930 - Sept. 29 Harry Green & Mary Mowbray
- 1931 - Oct. 24 William Gordon & Josephine Green  
(Woodbridge)
- 1932 - Aug. 6 Edward Osmer & Sadie Brown  
(Woodbridge)
- 1933 - June 3 Walter Sturmer & Elizabeth Mathews
- 1934 - July 5 Albert Hughes & Mary Witkowsky
- 1935 - May 3 Donald Rose & Blanche Miller  
June 22 Hiram Tuttle & Joyce Godson  
June 29 David Davis & Vivian Hancock  
Aug. 3 Charles Mezera & Dorothy Ellison (Manse)  
Oct. 5 Adolph Rasmussen & Helen Tuttle
- 1936 - June 20 Andrew Smith, Jr. & Audrey Bird  
Aug. 1 Hugo Ferdinand Sneed & Marion Hancock  
Nov. 14 Oswald Chambers & Marion Balgrie
- 1937 - Apr. 2 William Clelland & Isabella Moss  
May 9 Frederick Sharpe & Anne Rasmussen  
June 19 Kenneth McCain & Mary Richards  
Aug. 24 John Hehn & Alice Magargal
- 1938 - Jan. 29 William Huston & Ruth Parks  
May 21 Jean Ruvella & Marion Post  
July 30 Andrew Peterson & Mary Flesko
- 1939 - March 4 Frank Kropoth & Inga Behrens  
Apr. 15 Frederick Heath & Jean De Young  
May 21 Robert Brien, Jr. & Evelyn Brown  
July 2 Rubin Greco & Dorothy Head  
July 31 Mihraru Emirkan & Siroopi Ganjoran  
Aug. 26 Norman Lindstrom & Helen Nelson  
(E. A. Wallace)

- 1940 - Apr. 6 Earl Smith & Marion Leonard  
(E. H. Devanny)  
(p.26) Aug. 3 Clifford Corey & Frances Hill  
(J. L. Ewalt)  
Sept. 7 Percy McAvoy & Florence Pinkham  
(W. G. Felmeth)  
Oct. 20 Walter Smith & Muriel Johnson  
(H. L. Fenton, Jr. - Head home)  
Nov. 9 John R. Anderson & Irene Kuhar  
(C. I. Hellstrom)  
Nov. 21 William Gerak & Susan Shaffer  
(Theodore Erntgannky)
- 1942 - July 18 Henry Hicks & Ethel Conger (Manse)  
July 19 Arthur Anderson & Margaret Craney  
Nov. 7 Jack Warren & Ruth Gery  
Dec. 31 Frank Kuhar & Dorothy Himmelreich
- 1943 - Feb. 21 John Szabo, Jr. & Arline F. Rothen  
(Manse)
- 1944 - June 7 William John Beardsley, Jr. &  
Constance Marie McManus (W. K. McKinney)
- 1945 - Jan. 6 Harold John Craft & Helen Volk  
(W. K. McKinney)
- 1946 - Jan. 6 Walter Cook & Gloria Gardner  
March 2 Robert Storr & Dorothy Davis  
(Plainfield)  
March 29 Arby Doyle & Mary Tripolites  
Apr. 13 Walter Habich & Helen Hofgesang  
June 15 William Harned, Jr. & Jean Leonard  
June 26 Kenneth Smith & Jeanna Roberts  
June 29 Paul Semak & Dorothy Conger  
July 3 Nicholas Toft, III & Anna Weston  
July 14 Charles A. Petersen & Mary Lou Monson  
Aug. 10 James Dunn & Gladys Gaelon (Rahway)  
Sept. 14 Michael Duniak & Marjorie Merrison  
Oct. 12 Kamel Katen, Jr. & Ruth Peterson  
Nov. 2 Harold Pitchell & Olive Johnson  
Nov. 9 Robert Hoagland & Doris Lyman  
(Plainfield)  
Dec. 10 Nils G. Peterson & Margaret Turner

1947 - Jan. 7 Richard Norley & Irene Peapros (27)  
March 16 Sigmund Milusyenki & Geraldine Tettermer  
March 29 Howard Reyder & Norma Ashmore  
Apr. 19 John Battersby & Ruth Speece  
May 25 Howard Ely & Edna Cook  
June 14 Michael Archdeacon & Mary Syme  
June 21 William Snyder & Florence Leonard  
July 20 Charles Schafer & Anna Forte  
Sept. 6 John Burns & Jean Hotchkiss  
Nov. 22 Wendell Doll & LaVerne C. Birmeli  
Dec. 19 Leslie Wilbur & Mabel A. Johnson

1948 - Feb. 21 Michael Toth, Jr. & Virginia Murphy  
March 21 Alfred LaDoo & Marie Pelletier  
Apr. 3 Rudolph Wdovichik & Edna Knapp  
Aug. 19 Edward O'Brien & Elizabeth Zupko  
Sept. 11 Frank Howarth & Bertha Darvas Dietrich  
Sept. 11 John Conrad & Vera Nelson

1949 - Jan. 14 Lincoln Derick & Elinor Hancock  
Apr. 24 Arnold Jensen & Eve Glester  
May 28 John Raison & Julia Monson  
Sept. 3 John Borys & Louise Seward

1950 - Jan. 1 Ernest Toth & Edna Trevena  
Jan. 15 John Gardner, Jr. & Mary Lee Gregory  
Apr. 22 John Oliver & Joyce Johnson  
Sept. 2 John Jakob & Ruth Lois Rolle  
Sept. 9 Arthur Dqliber, Jr. & Geraldine Hatch  
(Manse)  
Sept. 9 Leonard Cook & Doris Myers  
Nov. 4 Frank Waskewich & Elsie Syme  
Dec. 16 Robert Snowfield & Margaret Fedor  
(Manse)

1951 - Jan. 27 Christian Miller & Jean Thergesen  
Feb. 3 Henry Knapp & Joan Mahoney (Manse)  
Feb. 17 Adolf Bergmueller & Lucy Hobbs  
Feb. 24 Frank Spano & Helen Wdovichik  
March 17 William Tinsdale, Jr. & Darlene Doute  
Apr. 14 Norman Barr & Nicholetta Cipolletti  
(Manse)

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- Apr. 28 John Baker & Margaret Wooden
- May 12 Bert Kohler & Ramona Stoll
- Aug. 18 John A. Rosenmeier & Marjorie Bell
- Aug. 26 Alfred Merritt & Shirley Barceline
- Aug. 26 Andrew Palamar & Dorothy Walent
- Nov. 17 Robert Perry & Peggy Limmeroth
- Dec. 23 Gilford Bothwell & J. Dolores Lott

### The 1950 BUILDING COMMITTEE

Chairman, John P. Ettershank, Sr. Vice Chairman, John B. Labat. Secretary, Mrs. Wm. T. Clark. Financial Secretary, Mrs. R. G. Perier. Treasurer, John B. Labat.

Planning Committee - Ray Gribble, Sr., Chr.; Mrs. F. Beckley, Sec.; Mrs. E. C. Hobbs, J. P. Ettershank, Sr., Wm. Frommter, John B. Labat, G. L. Venables and K. Taggart.

Finance Within - Wm. E. Gery, Chr.; Betty LaBat, Sec.; Mrs. Wm. T. Clark, Mrs. Wm. H. Johnson, A. Rasmussen, and O. H. Weferling.

Finance Without: - George A. Kayser, Sr., Chr.; Mrs. C. Nier, Mrs. R. G. Perier, C. H. Jamison, R. Myers, Frank S. Vigh, and William Falkenstern (who was General Chairman before Mr. Ettershank but resigned due to his business pressure).

Mrs. R. G. Perier prepared a brief history of the Building Committee and its work from 1944 - 1950 which was mimeographed on three sheets and distributed in 1950. (Copy in Historical file)

### LOANS - The Board of National Missions. 1950

1. Loan X - \$13,000. @ 4% int., \$650.00 payable semi-annually from July 1, 1951 to 1960.
  2. Loan A - \$5,000. @ 4% int., \$250.00 payable semi-annually from 1955 to 1964.
  3. Bond and Mortgage, \$10,000. - no interest.
  4. Bond and Mortgage, \$12,000. - no interest.
- The \$22,000 grant mortgages have 13 covenants, are renewable every five years and are payable when possible.



Ordination and Installation of Clair A. Morrow

First Presbyterian Church, Avenel, June 20, 1930

at 8:30 p. m., The Rev. W. D. Imos, Moderator of Presbytery Presiding, and Constitutional Questions.

Processional - "Holy, Holy, Holy." Invocation and Gloria. Scripture and Sermon - The Rev. James W. Laurie, Rahway 2d Church, Anthem - "The Heavens Declare the Glory of God." - Choir. Prayer, The Rev. Peter F. Wall, Garwood. "The Church's One Foundation." Charge to Pastor - Dr. C. M. Davis, Rahway. Charge to the Congregation - The Rev. Wm. M. MacInnis, Succasunna. "Where cross the crowded ways of life." The new minister pronounced the benediction.

Installation of The Rev. Robert I. MacBride, Ph. D.

Friday, Jan. 16, 1951, 8:00 p. m. The Rev. W. D. Amos, Presbytery Moderator again took part.

Doxology. Invocation. Hymn 196. Scripture. Anthem - "O Lord Our Governor." - Hillside Presby. Church, Allen Roberts, Dir. and Milton Hoch, organist. Sermon - The Rev. W. G. Felmoth. Charge to Pastor, The Rev. J. L. Ewing. Prayer, The Rev. E. Abbott. "Come Labor on." Benediction by Dr. MacBride.

Installation of The Rev. Chester A. Galloway.

Sunday, May 24, 1942, 4:00. The Rev. F. L. Artley presided, being Vice-Moderator.

"Our God, Our Help." Invocation, The Rev. D. E. Lorentz, Carteret. Old Testament - Dr. J. L. Ewing. Organ - "Break Thou the Bread". New Testament - Dr. H. K. England, Roselle. Gloria. Prayer, The Rev. H. L. Fenton, Jr., Plainfield. Anthem "Onward, Hear the Trumpets Call" by three church choirs. Sermon, Dr. E. H. Roberts, Princeton. Charge to the Pastor, The Rev. David W. Baker, Fanwood. Charge to the Congregation, Dr. C. M. Davis, Rahway. Mr. Galloway, Benediction.

Installation of The Rev. Warren W. Warran. Wednesday, Dec. 7, 1949, 8:00. Vice-Mod. R. G. Longaker presided.  
Dr. Mellinoy, G. H. Trull, E. H. Devanny, Dr. C. Fritsch, Dr. England, C. Galloway, and H. Irwin had a part.  
(See historical file for programs)

(30)        Some DONATIONS and MEMORIALS Since 1929  
Most of the land -- The Clark Family  
Communion cabinet -- Harvey Ayres  
Board on front of church -- Harvey Ayres; lettering  
by Mr. Leonard.  
Communion cupholders -- B. F. Ellison, Sr. in honor  
of his wife.  
50 Bibles -- Gideon Bible Society, Apr. 18, 1938.  
24 Bibles -- Falkensterns, Lotts & G. Kufus  
Carpeting for original church sanctuary - Miss  
Florence Schunsberg in memory of her mother; 1941.  
Also more carpeting in enlarged sanctuary.  
Hymnals (new edition) - members of congregation, 1941  
20 Jr. Choir robes - Ladies Aid. Mrs. C. Siessel and  
Mrs. C. Krogh made the gowns. 1942.  
Y. P. Choir robes - \$49.40 from Aid, bazaar, freewill  
offerings and Jr. Hi and Sr. Hi, and the following:  
Mr. & Mrs. H. Head, Sr., Helen Kunie, Mary Lou  
Monson, Jane Moore, Charles Nier, and Mr. & Mrs.  
Walter Smith, and Mary Syme. 1942. (Used Dec. '41)  
2 offering plates -- Mr. & Mrs. Grimley and Mrs.  
Walter Muench, in memory of Charlotte Cook. 1942.  
2 more offering plates were provided by the Trustees  
after the church sanctuary was enlarged.  
Corner church sign, made and painted by W. Gery. '42.  
Communion table cross -- made by J. Lomax (about '42)  
Pulpit chairs & communion cover ("Holy Holy Holy" -  
dedicated to those in service, Mrs. W. H. Johnson,  
Chr.) -- Ladies Aid.  
Pulpit Bible markers -- Mr. & Mrs. G. Koch  
Choir robe cabinet, made by J. E. Glendenning.  
Communion table - Hillside Church people.  
Communion set -- C. McKenzie.  
Manse built at cost -- \$5,000 -- J. W. Baigrie. 1933.  
Baptismal font -- Mr. & Mrs. Frederick Beckley in  
memory of John Francis Beckley - Apr. 2, 1944.  
Wurlitzer organ -- Ladies' Aid Society in honor of  
Mrs. Wm. B. Krug. 1947.  
Flag pole dedication - 1934.  
Financial aid from National Missions, "as much as  
\$2,000.00 per year when Dr. Mac Bride was pastor.  
Pulpit and railing - Elmora Presbyterian Church.

Some DONATIONS and MEMORIALS, contd. (31)

1949 Excavation for new building - Abraham J. Neiss.

1950 Cornerstone - Woodbridge Monument Works.

Sketch of the new church building - John McWilliam.

1950 New walks to side entrances - Abraham J. Neiss.

Services of a lawyer - Arthur Brown.

Cornerstone Laying Service program - Woodbridge Independent-Leader.

Memorial pews - F. & M. Bockley, The Wm. Falkenstern Family, Arthur B. Franklin & Family, Herbert Head (in memory of his wife), Wm. H. & Eva Johnson (in memory of Dr. & Mrs. R. I. MacBride), George A. Kayser Family (in memory of Fred & Emma Kayser), The Kosics and Mrs. J. Weygand, The Lotts and George Kufus (in memory of Gottlieb & Theresia Kufus), Mrs. Frank E. McCormick (in memory of John & Anna Brecka), The J. E. Peterson Family (in memory of John E. Peterson), Adolph and Helen Rasmussen and Mrs. H. A. Tuttle, Sr. (in memory of Hiram Anderson Tuttle, Sr.) and The Shaffers (in memory of Andrew Shaffer, Sr.)

Hymnals -- more than 117 from members and friends of the church.

Desk, filing cabinet, filing tray, bookcase and telephone stand for the Study - Security Steel Equipment, Avenel.

"Christ in Gethsemane" stained glass window - The Young Adults, in memory of John Francis Beckley.

Alter cover, pulpit and lectern scarfs and Bible markers in white - Mrs. S. Vigh.

Cabinets for the new kitchen from Abbe Lumber Co.

Lamp for Wurlitzer Organ - Larry Venables.

2 brass candlesticks - Mrs. B. Winans.

2 candlesticks and cross - Missionary Soc.

Numerous other gifts of labor and material in connection with the new addition from many individuals who have been mentioned in bulletins and by letter.\*\*

\*\* second-hand pianos.

\*Included in a long list: tiling study wash room (Nier), tage (Plennert), insulation (auditorium), grading (Cook), kitchen floor tile (Kayser-Christofferson) and fan, lights and bulbs, drains (JEE-Labat) and furniture (Vigh)



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LADIES AID SOCIETY. Presidents: Mrs. E. W. Wittnebert, Mrs. D. DeYoung, Mr. C. Krogh, Mrs. R. G. Perier, Mrs. R. Grimley, Mrs. Fred. Lott, Mrs. O. H. Weferling, Mrs. W. Falkenstern, Mrs. R. G. Perier, and Mrs. D. Davis.

This organization has been a money-maker and has provided innumerable things for the church and the manse. Since the new building was erected the new kitchen next to the auditorium has been furnished with a set of new equipment, an automatic hot water system and new dishes. Recently a filter type cleaner for the church was purchased. See also Donations.

In 1934 the MEN'S BROTHERHOOD sponsored Troop 41, Boy Scouts of America. Before then there were two other sponsors, the Avenel Progressive Group in 1923 and a Group of Citizens in 1927. Mr. J. Joy was the scoutmaster in 1934. By 1936 the Trustees were the sponsors. In 1952 the troop received its 25th charter. At that time G. A. Kayser, Sr., institutional representative for a number of years, was succeeded by Francis Arthur Herman. The 1952 Troop Committee: C. Mezera, Chr., Andrew Hunter, Michael Petrin, and John Schork. Leaders: Lewis Oakley, Scoutmaster, Wilfred Benson, Asst. S. M., and Wm. Carstens, Explorer Advisor.

Cub Pack #141 was started in the church in 1952 with C. H. Jamison as Cubmaster. Den Mothers: Mrs. M. Maciag, Mrs. C. Schrettner, and Mrs. R. S. Cassaway who was replaced by Mrs. Frank Heneghan. Cub Committee: Peter Stein, Chr., Peter J. Hondonicz, Frank Heneghan, O. Heineman, and Andrew I. Peterson. Sponsored by Trustees. Girl Scouts, Troop 12, 1951-52 Leaders: Mrs. A. McDermott, Mrs. E. Kovic, Mrs. H. Schiller, and Mrs. F. A. Herman. The Aid Sponsors the troop.

The first Vacation Church School was in 1941. Ten years later 158 pupils and 35 staff members were in the school, with Mrs. H. VanNess as Directress.



It is said that George Washington, Benjamin Franklin, Lafayette, and other famous people have been in Avenel. Historic Woodbridge and Rahway are next door neighbors. Avenel is in Woodbridge township of Middlesex County, the county seat being at New Brunswick which is about ten miles away.

In recent years the explosion at South Amboy, the train wreck on the Pennsylvania Railroad (right after the shore train had passed through Avenel and the Woodbridge station), the three plane crashes at Elizabeth, seven miles away, and the prison riot at the nearby farm in Woodbridge township next to Rahway have advertised the area surrounding Avenel. Highways 1, 9 and 25 cut right through Avenel. The main line of the P. R. R. is about two miles away going from Rahway through Colonia to Metuchen.

About 700 are employed at the Steel Equipment Corporation at Avenel. There are numerous large factories and industries in this metropolitan area which offer work to residents of Avenel and Colonia. The population is growing and may soon be as large as that of Woodbridge Proper which has about 15,000. Because of the crowded condition hundreds of pupils must attend the Keasbey school, six miles away.

Although there are a number of small stores and a few barber shops in Avenel it is largely a residential community. The First Presbyterian Church is the only protestant one serving Avenel. Many of the Colonia people and a few from other surrounding cities attend and support the church. At one time Avenel was made up of a few large estates owned by the Edgars, the Coddingtons, the Krugs, the Clarks, the Bloomfields, and others, according to an Avenel Park descriptive folder of the Maple Realty Company. Avenel is the highest point between New York City and Long Branch, N. J. "Before subdividers began to market Florida lots and before Montclair, and exclusive Westchester suburbs were so popular for commuters Avenel was selected for homes for New Yorkers."

Year	Prof. and Rear.	Cert.	Re- stored	Dis- missed	Sus- pended	Died	Church Members	Church school Members	Current Receipts	Special Receipts	Benefi- Volences	Pastor
Apr. 1 to Mar. 31												
'27-28	30	19	-	1	-	-	48	115	\$321	\$475	-	Supplies
'28-29	7	-	-	1	-	-	54	115	-	-	-	Supplies
'29-30	22	20	-	1	-	1	93	158	-	-	-	Morrow
'30-31	19	10	-	5	-	-	117	142	1,720	1,771	\$70	Morrow & MacBride
'31-32	14	1	-	1	4	-	127	151	2,225	1,245	75	MacBride
'32-33	19	7	-	-	-	1	127	172	1,750	1,000	100	MacBride
'33-34	30	13	-	-	10	1	155	191	2,400	800	100	MacBride
'34-35	10	5	-	1	5	1	163	200	2,100	800	100	MacBride
'35-36	8	-	-	4	-	1	160	156	1,598	100	125	MacBride
'36-37	5	2	2	0	10	3	145	140	1,750	0	130	MacBride

'37-38	21	3	3	6	6	2	150	161	-	-	-	MacBride
'38-39	10	0	2	2	3	2	160	175	1,700	-	150	MacBride
'39-40	7	1	0	7	0	1	160	158	1,280	-	-	MacBride
'40-41	-	-	-	-	-	-	160	158	-	-	-	Galloway (student)
'41-42	21	16	0	0	0	3	198	125	2,400	-	-	Galloway
'42-43	18	11	2	3	18	2	206	217	4,100	0	400	Galloway
'43-44	19	2	0	3	1	3	220	207	4,574	2,750	961	Galloway McKinney
'44-45	6	8	0	1	0	2	231	209	4,041	3,184	803	McKinney
'45-46	12	5	7	2	6	2	245	295	5,105	3,435	925	McKinney- Galloway
'46-47	23	15	0	8	1	2	272	263	6,203	5,095	1,511	Galloway
'47 (Adv. to Dec.)	10	7	0	1	17	1	270	266	4,886	2,274	1,025	Galloway
1948	39	24	0	6	0	0	329	279	7,115	1,440	1,487	Galloway
1949	15	16	0	8	21	4	325	321	7,777	8,207	1,747	Galloway
1950	45	18	0	1	1	1	385	358	8,653	45,674	1,779	Warman
1951	26	12	0	13	1	2	407	364	9,300	4,550	2,133	Warman

The story is told of how the webbing of the organ treadle broke during a service - probably in chapel on St. George Ave. - and Mrs. John Clark, wife of the Supt., took a safety pin from her garter and quickly repaired the instrument. Organist, Mrs. Wm. B. Krug has played the accompanying part since 1926. (Between 1925-28 Mrs. Hermine Browne, wife of J. W., played the piano. At that time Mr. Browne was the director.) For many years Mrs. Krug directed the Senior Choir, from 1926 to about 1940 or 1941. Other directors have been Howard Greenhalgh (during Dr. MacBride's time), Mrs. F. Mazzur, F. Beckley, Mrs. K. Taggart, and Mrs. Mazzur at the present time. Men's Quartets: F. Beckley, C. Bischoff, Wm. H. Detweiler, and Mike Cilo. F. Beckley, W. H. Detweiler, H. Greenhalgh, and W. Wittnebert. F. Beckley, J. A. Wingquist, George Layonmark, and Glen Blume (later Ed. Glendenning replaced the last mentioned). 1952: F. Beckley, John Cliver, Frank Vigh, and O. H. Weferling.

Young People's Choir: Mrs. Earl Palmer, Mrs. F. Beckley, Mrs. F. Mazzur, Mrs. A. McDermott, Mrs. C. A. Galloway, Mrs. K. Taggart, Mrs. G. Hlasek, and Mrs. C. Miller. Junior Choir - or Children's Choir: Mrs. Krug reported as early as April 1923 that there was a Junior Choir: Mrs. H. J. Baker, Mrs. Wm. Baker, Mrs. F. Mazzur, Mrs. C. A. Galloway, Betty LaBat\*, Jane Moore, Mrs. O. H. Weferling, Mrs. F. Beckley, Mrs. N. Bierly, Mrs. F. Beckley, Mrs. H. Hansen, and Mrs. Mozera. Also, Mrs. E. Mulford and Mr. Klickner are said to have been choir directors. The order of the above is not quite correct. Music Committee Chairman, 1952 - F. Beckley. In 1952 the Choirs have the following: Senior - 20; Youth - 12; Children's - 25.

\*directress of first gowned children's choir.  
The Young People's Choir was gowned Dec. 1941.  
The Senior Choir had gowns before the other choirs.  
In 1949 additional gowns were made possible through the efforts of Mrs. D. Davis (newspaper subscriptions.)



The SESSION (Meets 2d Tues., 8:15, Study)

<u>Class of 1952</u>	<u>Class of 1953</u>	<u>Class of 1954</u>
Fred Beckley	A. Rasmussen	Wm. H. Johnson
J. Ettershank, Sr.	B. F. Seward	John E. Morgan
Fred Lott	vacancy	O. H. Weferling

Clerk of the Session: A. Rasmussen

Benevolence Treasurer: B. F. Seward.

Committees: Christian Education: O. H. Weferling.

Communion arrangements, and Summer Pulpit

Supply: J. E. Morgan. Men's Work: F. Lott.

Music: F. Beckley. Trustee Liaison: J. Ettershank, Sr. Ushers: Wm. Johnson.

The DEACONS (Tuesday - 2d - by arrangement, 7:00)

<u>Class of 1952</u>	<u>Class of 1953</u>	<u>Class of 1954</u>
Mrs. W. Detweiler	Mrs. F. Brecka	Mrs. F. Beckley
Mrs. Wm. Johnson	Mrs. W. Gery	Mrs. J. Krutzler
Mrs. Carl Nier	Mrs. E. C. Hobbs	Mrs. R. Myers
Mrs. B. Seward	Mrs. C. Mezera	Mrs. W. Whitley
<u>Pres. - Mrs. Wm. Johnson.</u>	<u>V. P. -</u>	<u>Mrs. J. Krutzler.</u>
<u>Sec.-Treas. - Mrs. R. Myers.</u>	<u>Committees: Cards</u>	
<u>of cheer and sympathy - Mrs. E. C. Hobbs. Flowers -</u>		
<u>Mrs. W. Detweiler. Communion - Mrs. F. Brecka,</u>		
<u>Mrs. C. Nier, Mrs. B. F. Seward, Mrs. J. Krutzler,</u>		
<u>Mrs. W. Gery and others when needed. Baptism -</u>		
<u>Mrs. R. Myers, and Mrs. B. Seward.</u>		

The TRUSTEES (Third Monday, 8:00 in Choir room)

<u>Class of 1952</u>	<u>Class of 1953</u>	<u>Class of 1954</u>
W. Falkenstern	J. P. Ettershank, Sr.	Herbert Head, Sr.
Edward Kosic	C. H. Jamison	Andrew Hunter
N. Plennert	Mrs. S. Vigh	Stephen Shaffer
Joseph Rhodes	Mrs. O. H. Weferling	vacancy

Pres. - Mrs. S. Vigh. V. P. - S. Shaffer. Sec. -

Mrs. O. H. Weferling. Treas. - E. Kosic.

Church House Com. - H. Head, C. Jamison, and A.

Hunter. Grounds - J. Ettershank, Sr. and J. Rhodes.

Every Member Canvass - Mrs. O. H. Weferling.

Rules - J. Rhodes, J. Ettershank, Sr. and A. Shaffer.

Manse - S. Shaffer. Bazaar - Mrs. S. Vigh, S. Shaffer.

(38) 1952 ORGANIZATIONS - Directory

The Church: The Session, Deacons, Trustees

Church Nursery: Mrs. R. Myers, Deacon Repr.

Church School: O. H. Weferling, Supt., Mrs. H. Van  
Ness, Asst., Miss Sara Danley, Sec., Chester  
DeCastillia, Treas., G. K. Young, Asst. Treas.

Department Superintendents: Mrs. A. Aymer,  
Nursery; Mrs. J. George, Beginners; Mrs. O. H.  
Weferling, Primary; Mrs. E. C. Hobbs, Junior;  
Mrs. W. Meyer, Jr. Hi.; Mrs. W. W. Warman, Sr. Hi.  
Adult teachers: Mr. and Mrs. F. Beckley.

Choirs: Children's, Mrs. C. Mezera, Dir.; Kay  
Warman, pianist. Thurs., 3:45.

Youth, Mrs. C. Miller, Dir.-accompanist.  
Thursday, 7:00.

Senior, Mrs. F. Mazzur, Dir., with Mrs. Wm.  
B. Krug, organist and Mrs. C. Miller, substitute.  
Thursday, 8:15.

Ladies Aid Society, Mrs. D. Davis, Pres. 2d Tues.

Projects: Cancer Dressing Group, Mrs. A. Moore,  
Chr., Thurs. 7:00. Flower-making group, Mrs.  
F. Barth, Chr. Tuesdays.

Men's Fellowship, F. Lott, Sessional Repr.; Harold  
Pitchell, Pres. Last Monday, 8:00.

The Mr. & Mrs. Club, H. Beyder, Pres., 4th Wed.

Scouts: Boy, Troop 41. Tuesday, 6:45.

Club, Pack 141. Auditorium, last Thurs.

Girl, Troop 12. Wednesday, 3:30.

Westminster Fellowship (Jr. Hi and Sr. Hi), Sun.  
7:00. Project: Library.

Young Adults. 2d and 4th Monday, usually in homes.

Youth Council. Sunday afternoon by arrangement.

Church Secretary - Mrs. F. P. O'Connor, 460 Wood-  
bridge Ave. WO. 8-2899-J.

Sexton - Douglas Seward, 632 Woodbridge Ave.

WO. 8-2844-J. House Chr. - H. Head

The Minister - The Rev. W. W. Warman

Church Study: 621 Woodbridge Ave. WO.8-1631

Residence: 631 Woodbridge Ave., WO.8-1760

Church School - 9:30. Church worship - 11:00.

(Both at 10:00 in summer.)

BIBLIOGRAPHY - Publications, Sources (39)  
of Information.

Church MINUTES of the SESSION

Vol. I - 1927 - March 12, 1946 (Bound)

Vol. II - April 9, 1946 - (Loose)

Church Registers

Vol. I - 1927 - 1946 (Bound)

Vol. II - 1946 - (Loose)

Church TRUSTEES Minutes

June 1935 - June 20, 1949 (Bound)

The DOOR (mimeographed)

Published monthly, Sept., 1941 to  
Dec. 1946 - 25 issues on file;  
probably incomplete.

The VOICE (edited by F. Beckloy, Jean DeYoung  
and J. Joy, Sr. and Jr. - mimeographed)

Published weekly - Feb. 11, 1934 to  
Feb. 10, 1935 - no copies for  
Jan. 6, 13, 20 or Feb. 3, 1935 on  
file. Cut of original church on  
front of four-page paper with ad-  
vertisements on the back; information  
and items of inspiration inside.

Weekly Report of Youth Activities - Oct. 6, 1946  
to June 15, 1947 (14 issues, incomplete file)

Weekly Church Bulletins - lithographed cover,  
mimeographed inside. The Rev. W. W. Warman,  
editor. Dec. 1949 to 1952 - complete file.  
Woodbridge Independent-Leader (newspaper)

Princeton Theological Seminary - Biographical  
Catalogue, 1815-1932. Published 1933

All efforts have been made to have the  
information as correct as possible. Any errors  
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This historical booklet is not complete but should be of some value for future reference. The infant baptisms are not included. Later a record of such could be published. W. W. Warman.



SUPPLEMENT  
 Additions and Corrections  
 to A BRIEF HISTORY of the  
 FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH of AVENEL

Refer to  
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- 2 - John Henry Wendelken is the full name.
- 2 - Robert Haviland should read Luke Haviland
- 2 - Before 1919 there was a small group of Sunday school pupils under the leadership of Viola Ellison (who married Philip Den Bleyker, Jr.) which met in the old fire house on Remsen Ave.
- 5 - For more than six years Dorothy Ellison (who married C. Mozera) was financial secretary for the building fund of the original church, dedicated in 1930.
- 5 - A private sewer was laid from the church to Avenel St. when the church was built
- 6 - The original (1930) church cost about \$16,000.00.
- 9 - Clair A. Morrow was pastor of Calvary Presbyterian Church, Long Beach, Cal. after he served Belmar. He received a doctor of divinity degree from Occidental College in 1947.
- 11 - John W. Baigrie was elected trustee, 1932
- 15 - Dorothy Russell - a member about 1935.
- 16 - Members likely received April, 1939:  
 Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Morrison, Lillian Rebecca and Marjorie Marie Morrison, and Mrs. Helen Pomeroy.  
 The Register shows Mrs. N. Aumach, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kunie and Helen Kunie as members at one time but no dates are given.
- 24 - B. B. Clark was elected president of the Board of Trustees on Nov. 27, 1927.  
 B. Labat was elected April 24, 1929.

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- Other Donations: Water line to the 1930 church - Ambrose Mundy. Communion linen from Mr. and Mrs. C. McKenzie, 1931. First hymnals - "Busy Bees" (Mrs. A. M. Smith, leader), 1931. Lettering and resurfacing the cornerstone (being the marble from the Denmark Union Chapel, St. George Ave.) by Mr. Jardine, of Rahway, 1929. Grading grounds in 1930 - J. Rhodes. 2 pulpit chairs - Aid. Christian and American flags - Sons and Daughters of Liberty.
- 32 - There was a V. C. S. in 1930.
- 33 - The name AVENEL may have been the name of a person in a novel or a daughter of a man, Savannah, said to be a founder.

Other Information -

Superintendents since 1927 - A. Schmidt, M. F. Jones, N. Aunneh, J. P. Eppershank, Sr., K. Taggart, and O. H. Woforling.

The original pulpit (now the lectern) cost \$75.00

In 1930 the trustees paid \$150.00 to the Hawthorne Calvary Baptist (colored) Church for the organ.

The bill for cutting the lawn four times in 1930 was \$3.00. Today a power machine is operated by the trustees.

Some of the sextons: Messrs. Ciegatura, Terry, Thurston, W. H. DeWolter, Harvey Ayres, Frank Gozco, J. Joy, Sr., W. Clyde Borry, J. Tosh, and D. Soward. H. Head also served.

On June 26, 1930 permission was granted the Avenel Library Association for the use of the lecture room for a lecture on television.

Approximately 250 infants have been baptized since 1930. The record is incomplete.

The new 1950 addition tripled the space.

We are grateful to Mrs. Wm. B. Krug, Mrs. C. Mezora, Mr. J. B. Labat, the Beckleys and others for their information and help with this history.

THE OTHER PASTORS



Robert I. Mac Bride, Ph.D.

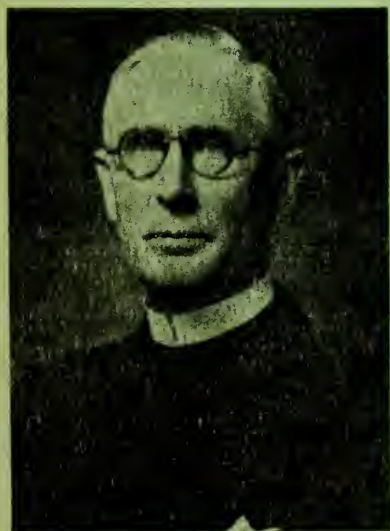
1931 - 1940



Chester A. Galloway

1940 - 1949

Chaplain, USNR, 1943 - 1945



William K. McKinney, D.D.

Supply Pastor, 1943 - 1945



Warren W. Warman

1949 -

