



SALEM EVANGELICAL & REFORMED CHURCH

ORCHARD AND SYCAMORE STREETS

CINCINNATI 10, OHIO

CENTENNIAL SOUVENIR

PRESENTED IN
COMMEMORATION OF

ONE HUNDRED YEARS
OF WORSHIP AND OF SERVICE

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DEDICATION

With grateful hearts we pause momentarily now to look backward through the distant horizons of the past in these days when our beloved church is rounding out a hundred years of worship and service to God.

It is our privilege and sacred duty to ponder these things thoughtfully, for God, through our forbears, has done great things for us!

To them, into whose labors we have entered, we dedicate this, our Centennial Anniversary Souvenir.

ORGANIZATION

January 5, 1857.

The birth of the Salem Evangelical and Reformed Church was small, likened unto a mustard seed, often referred to us in the Scriptures.

A few Christian people met in the Episcopal Church on Liberty and Pendleton Streets for regular Sunday service. They called a student of the ministry, Conrad Saure, to preach their sermons. The second Sunday of October, 1856, Rev. Saure accepted their invitation and delivered the sermon to six members. This small attendance did not discourage him, and on the second Sunday there were nine present. Eleven attended the third Sunday, and on the fourth there were fifteen people at the service. On the fifth Sunday there were twenty-five, and from then on the membership increased from Sunday to Sunday.

After three months, on January 5, 1857, nineteen men and seventeen women gathered together to discuss ways and means for organization. Rev. H. Rust was invited to address the meeting, explaining the Evangelical and Reformed Church ritual. Mr. Nicholas Hempel made the motion that the meeting organize as a Reformed Church. It was unanimously accepted and they organized the third Protestant Evangelical and Reformed Church, Cincinnati, Ohio, with the Rev. Mr. Conrad Saure the first pastor.

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Rev. Frank F. Fischer.....*Minister*
Vivian G. Middleton.....*Secretary*
John Weissrock.....*Organist*
Edward Corin.....*Custodian*

(Has served the church in this capacity for 37 years)

OFFICERS OF THE CONGREGATION

ELDERS

William Wood	Fred Stadler
Julius Schlueter	Edward Niemann
Calvin Liebrich	Paul Westermeyer

DEACONS

Robert O'Hearn	Charles Glaescher
Clifford Moore	Henry Westermeyer
LeRoy Bennett	Lester Champlin
Stanley Fenchel	Raymond Esberger
Paul Hutchinson	Truman Weekley
Leo Land	Louis Vollmer

DEACONESSES

Dorothy Eck	Hilda Hopper	Marie Krause
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TRUSTEES

Henry Westermeyer	Clifford Moore
Leo Land	Raymond Esberger
Louis Vollmer	

TREASURER OF CURRENT FUNDS

Albert J. Wendel

TREASURER OF BENEVOLENCES

Clifford Moore

SECRETARY OF THE CONGREGATION

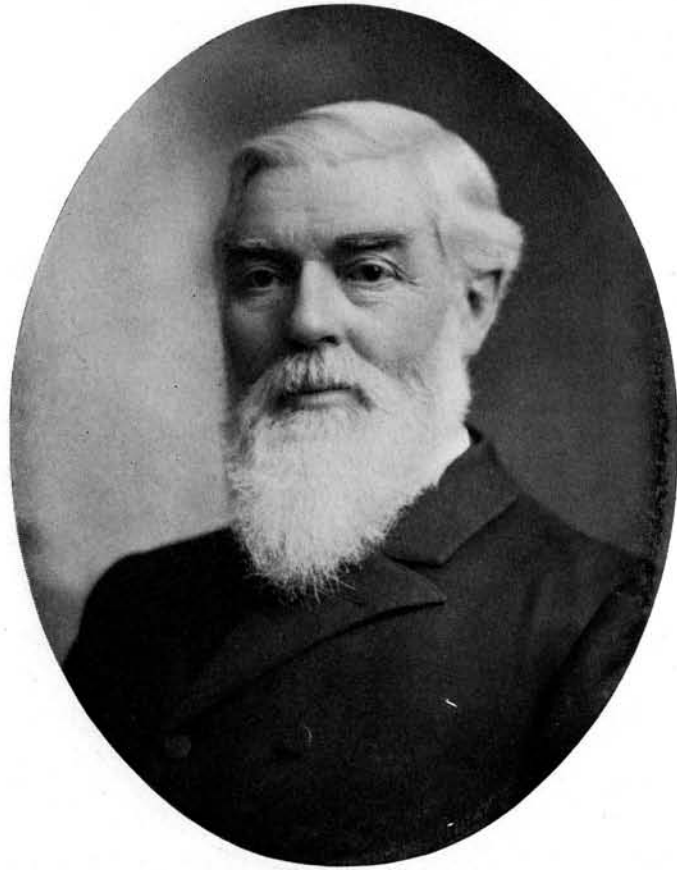
Hilda Hopper

MINISTERS

Conrad Saure.....	1857 - 1873
John Heckmann	1873 - 1882
J. H. Stern.....	1882 - 1885
Ferd O. Zesch, Ph.D.....	1885 - 1899
G. A. Godduhn	1899 - 1903
L. H. Kunst, D.D.....	1903 - 1909
Carl F. Heyl, D.D.....	1909 - 1917
A. G. Lohman (Supply).....	Six months
E. H. Wessler, D.D.....	1917 - 1931
O. B. Moor	1931 - 1933
E. H. Katterhenry, Ph.D.....	1933 - 1947
W. E. Miller (Supply).....	1947 - 1948
F. F. Fischer, B.D.....	1948 -



REV. CONRAD SAURE
1857 - 1873



REV. JOHN HECKMANN
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REV. J. H. STERN
1882 - 1885



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1885 - 1899

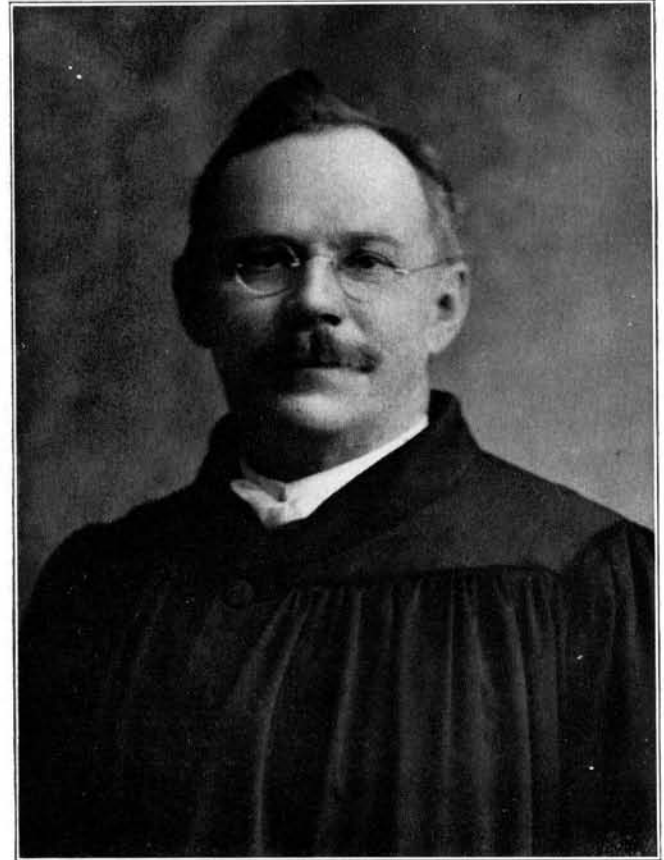


REV. G. A. GODDUHN

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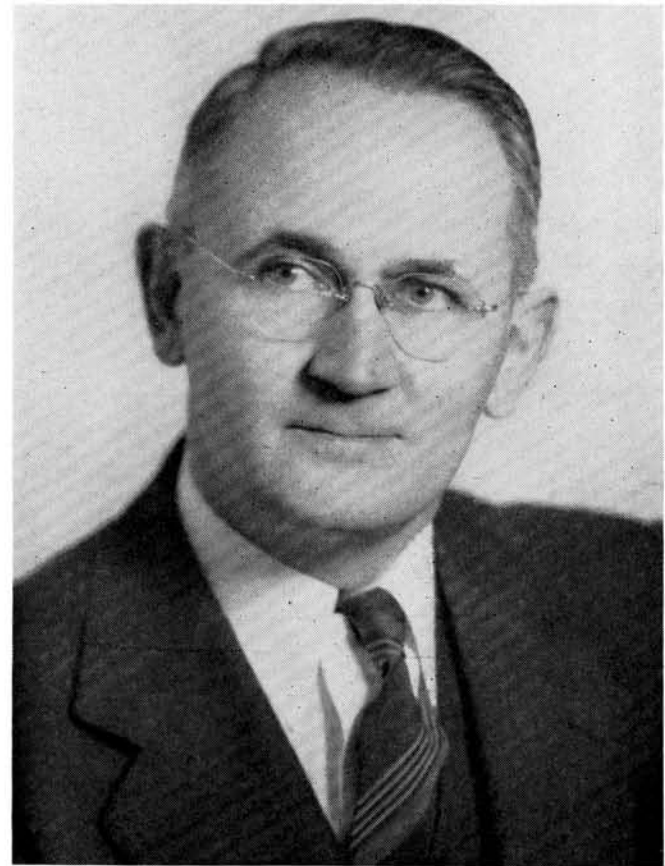
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