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p. 70, foot note, for "February 15" read "February 19."

Gift from Hon. David McCulloch, Sept. 1906.



Rev. Arthur Mitchell Little, Ph. D.

Pastor since 1900.

INTRODUCTORY.

AT a meeting of the Session of the Second Presbyterian Church, held on March 24, 1908, at the house of Elder David McCulloch, it was, on his motion, resolved that the fiftieth anniversary of the foundation of this church be celebrated with appropriate ceremonies. Elders William Jack, Samuel M. Clarke and Frederick F. Blossom were appointed a committee to formulate a plan to be laid before the congregation at a meeting to be called for that purpose. At that meeting, which was held May 13th, the following committee was appointed with full power to arrange for and to superintend the celebration, namely: Mr. William A. Herron, chairman; Mrs. Virginia B. Bash, Mr. Thomas A. Grier, Mrs. J. H. Morron, Mr. Samuel M. Clarke, Mr. David McCulloch, Miss Sarah J. McCoy, Mrs. George T. Page and Mr. John A. Chalmers.

This committee adopted the following program for December 6th and 7th, which, with slight variation, was carried out. On account of Mr. N. G. Moore's inability to remain his address was transferred to the Sabbath School and Rev. Joseph W. Cochran was put in his place on Monday afternoon, and in the necessary absence of Rev. J. H. Morron, the correspondence was read by Elder James M. Rice.

Gift of Mrs. David R. & Catherine L. Scott 24th 1916.

PROGRAM

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1903.

Sunday School at 9:30 o'clock:

ADDRESSES BY FORMER SUPERINTENDENTS.

MORNING SERVICE AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK.

Prelude,
"AUTUMN SKETCH" - *Brewer.*

Doxology.

The Invocation,
THE LORD'S PRAYER.

Hymn 1,
"HOLY, HOLY, HOLY."

Responsive Reading,
THE PSALTER, PAGE 4,
LESSON 8.

REV. J. W. COCHRAN, D. D.

Quartet,
FESTIVAL TE DEUM - *Buck*

The Morning Lesson,
DR. THOMAS X. ORR.

Prayer,
REV. I. A. CORNELISON, D. D.

The Response,
BY THE CHOIR.

Hymn 345.

Offering,
WITH PRAYER OF DEDICATION.

Offertory,
"PRAISE THE LORD," *Holden.*
MRS. FRANCIS.

Sermon,
"IS CHRISTIANITY A
FAILURE?"
DR. THOMAS X. ORR.

Prayer.

Hymn 735.

Benediction.

Postlude.

AFTERNOON SERVICE AT THREE-THIRTY

Prelude,
"STRADELLA." *Dudley Buck.*

The Call to Worship.

Sursum Corda.

Hymn 599.

The Psalter,
PAGE 6—LESSON 4.

Quartet,
"JUBILATE DEO" - *Wagner.*
(PSALM 100.)

Prayer.

Hymn 3.

Offering.

Offertory,
"THE LORD IS MY LIGHT."
—*Allison*
MR. BURDICK.

Greeting,
FROM THE PRESBYTERY OF
PEORIA.
DR. I. A. CORNELISON.

Quartet,
"PRAISE THE LORD."
—*Chadwick.*

Greeting,
FROM THE PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCHES OF PEORIA.
THE REV. JAMES BENSON.

Quartet,
"NIGHTFALL," - *Barnby*
(HYMN 54.)

Benediction.

Postlude.

EVENING SERVICE AT SEVEN FORTY-FIVE.

Prelude,
IN D MINOR - - *Batiste.*

Quartet,
"LORD GOD ALMIGHTY."
- *Sterns.*

Hymn 158.

Psalter,
PAGE 23—LESSON 14.

Trio,
"PROTECT US THRO' THE
NIGHT." - - - *Nicolaï.*

The Evening Lesson,
DR. J. W. COCHRAN.

Prayer,
THE REV. J. H. MORRON.

Offering.

Offertory,
"IF WITH ALL YOUR HEART."
- *Mendelssohn.*
MR. VELDE.

Sermon,
"THE ETERNAL SONG."
REV. J. W. COCHRAN, D. D.

Hymn 241,
"CORONATION."

Greetings,
CALVARY CHURCH.
REV. JOHN WESTON, D. D.
GRACE CHURCH.
THE REV. JAMES ALVIN SANKEY.

Choir,
"NO NAME SO SWEET AS
JESUS."
(HYMN 566) - *Haven.*
MRS. FRANCIS AND QUARTET.

Benediction.

Postlude.

MONDAY, DECEMBER SEVENTH.

AT THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Invocation.....DR. THOMAS X. ORR.

Quartet—"THE KING OF LOVE MY SHEPHERD IS".....*Shelley.*
(HYMN 488.)

Responsive Reading,
THE PSALTER. PAGE 31, LESSON 19.

Historical Address.....JUDGE DAVID MCCULLOCH.
"THE FOUNDERS OF THE CHURCH, AND WHAT THEY HAVE DONE."

Hymn 596.

Reminiscences..... { ARTHUR H. RUGG.
N. GRIER MOORE.
THOMAS G. MCCULLOCH.

Reading of Letters.

Hymn 597.

Reception.

MONDAY EVENING.

REUNION OF THE CHURCH AND CONGREGATION.

The Choir consisted of the following persons:

MRS. N. J. JACQUIN, Organist.

MRS. J. D. MIHIGAN, Soprano. MR. HENRY F. VELDE, Tenor.

MRS. J. H. FRANCIS, JR., Alto. MR. C. S. BURDICK, Bass.

The Hymn Book used on this occasion was that entitled:
"Carmina Sanctorum."

At 6:30 o'clock on Monday evening a repast was served by the ladies in the lecture room and parlors after which Mr. Elliot Callender was called to preside and called for responses from pastors of Peoria whose churches ante-date the organization of this church. Those responding were Rev. John Faville, D. D., pastor of the First Congregational Church; Rev. Richard Crews, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal Church; Rev. G. B. Van Arsdall, pastor of the Christian Church, and Rev. George Simmons, D. D., pastor of the First Baptist Church. The Reformed Episcopal (Christ) Church, having by invitation held its meeting for organization in our house of worship, its pastor, Rev. Henry Forsythe Milligan, was called upon for remarks and responded to the invitation. Mr. Thomas A. Grier spoke for the charter members, Elder Samuel M. Clarke for the trustees, and Mrs. William Jack on behalf of the several ladies' societies. The pastor, Rev. Arthur M. Little, Ph. D., spoke of the present and future of the church, after which the exercises were brought to a close by singing the familiar hymn: "Blest Be the Tie that Binds," etc., and the benediction pronounced by Dr. Thomas X. Orr.