

DUNCHURCH METHODIST CHURCH

In 1894, Rev. C. Lakes was appointed to replace Rev. W.W. Walker, he reported that the manse had been improved and enlarged. A barn for the driving horse and a garden cultivated and planted by the Walkers.

In 1895, 96, 97 and 98, the following ministers were placed at Dunchurch in the following order: Rev. J.C. Gardner, Rev. S.D. Dinnish and Rev. J.W. Cannon. It was Rev. Cannon that helped build the church at Whitestone. Their first and only church building to date, 1970.

In 1898, a Mr. Crafton was placed at Dunchurch to assist Rev. Cannon, and remained until 1902, then he was replaced by Rev. W.H. Laidlaw, who remained until 1904, when once again Magnetawan and Dunchurch were reunited under the leadership of Rev. John Wilson.

From 1904 until 1910, the following ministers supplied (but these may not be in the proper order) but were under the leadership of Rev. John Gibson and a lay supply, Mr. Albert Bushel.

William Laidlaw
John Gibson
J.W. Holmes
W.J. Mumford
Roy Pierson

Sid Martin
Herb Hunt
D.G. Davis
Allen Duffield
John Summerville

and Harold Johnson.

In 1910 Dunchurch was supplied by McKellar. In 1911 a lay minister supplied Magnetawan and Dunchurch. This man was Mr. John Collan who was followed by Rev. A.L. Alton in 1913. He remained until 1915. By this time there was talk of uniting with the Presbyterian church and some joint services had been held with this in mind. For all intent and purposes these two churches were united in 1917.

The Methodist seemed to leave all things to the Presbyterian church as we find by reports, "Dunchurch to be supplied."

There is a mention of Louis Pickering being stationed at Dunchurch in 17, 18, 19; However, in 1921, 22 Rev. R.G. Davidson laid the foundation for the new manse at Dunchurch with R. Dingwall assisting. This was on Cen. B. in the village. In due time it was finished and the Davidsons moved in. (see picture below).

BELL-GABLE OF THE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,

THE MANSE IN CENTER
FORE-GROUND.

METHODIST CHURCH
OF THE 1900'S. AT
RIGHT OF PICTURE.

