

## DUNCHURCH METHODIST CHURCH

The next occupants were Rev. Joseph Denny, B.A. and his wife who arrived in 1923, and made the final organization of the Presbyterian, Methodist and Congregational churches. In 1925 Rev. Peter Tiller served Dunchurch. He was a married man and his wife went along with him on the long, lonely drives by horse and buggy to the distant points. Ardbeg by this time was counted as one of the points, for the mills there were running and a great number of people had moved in there to live. The Public School was their place of meeting. At Whitestone the previous Methodist Church was attended. Maple Island had a Union Church built in 1880's. Ahmic Harbour was built in 1890, the lot was donated by Mr. John Crowell of Ahmic Harbour.

Rev. J. Denny also served one year and Rev. A. Jenner in 1928. Carson Matier served about 1930-31-32. Howard Black in 1933. O.W. Holmes followed in 1936, followed by W. Cooke who went to North Port Portal, Sask. Roy Irwin, W. Spears and then H. Black came back in 1942. D.M. Badger was a wonderful speaker serving us well. Then came Miss Griffin, Miss Lee, Miss Giesel, during war time. Mr. Muir, Mr. Carl Miller and Mr. Hewitt in 1952. Mr. Lewis, E. Henderson in 1954. Mr. Reeves in 1960. Mr. Dobson in 61, Mr. Doney in 62 and 63. Mr. Aitcheson in 64, Mr. J. Firmin served nearly five years and was ordained before he left Dunchurch. W. Hudson followed in 1969. Rev. H. Llewellyn in 1970. He left to go to the Old Country for further studies. Rev. Fred Jackson is presently serving in 1970 and stationed in McKellar. Magnetawan and Dunchurch have split again and it was found to be more satisfactory in these days to be in the South with Muskoka Presbytery.

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