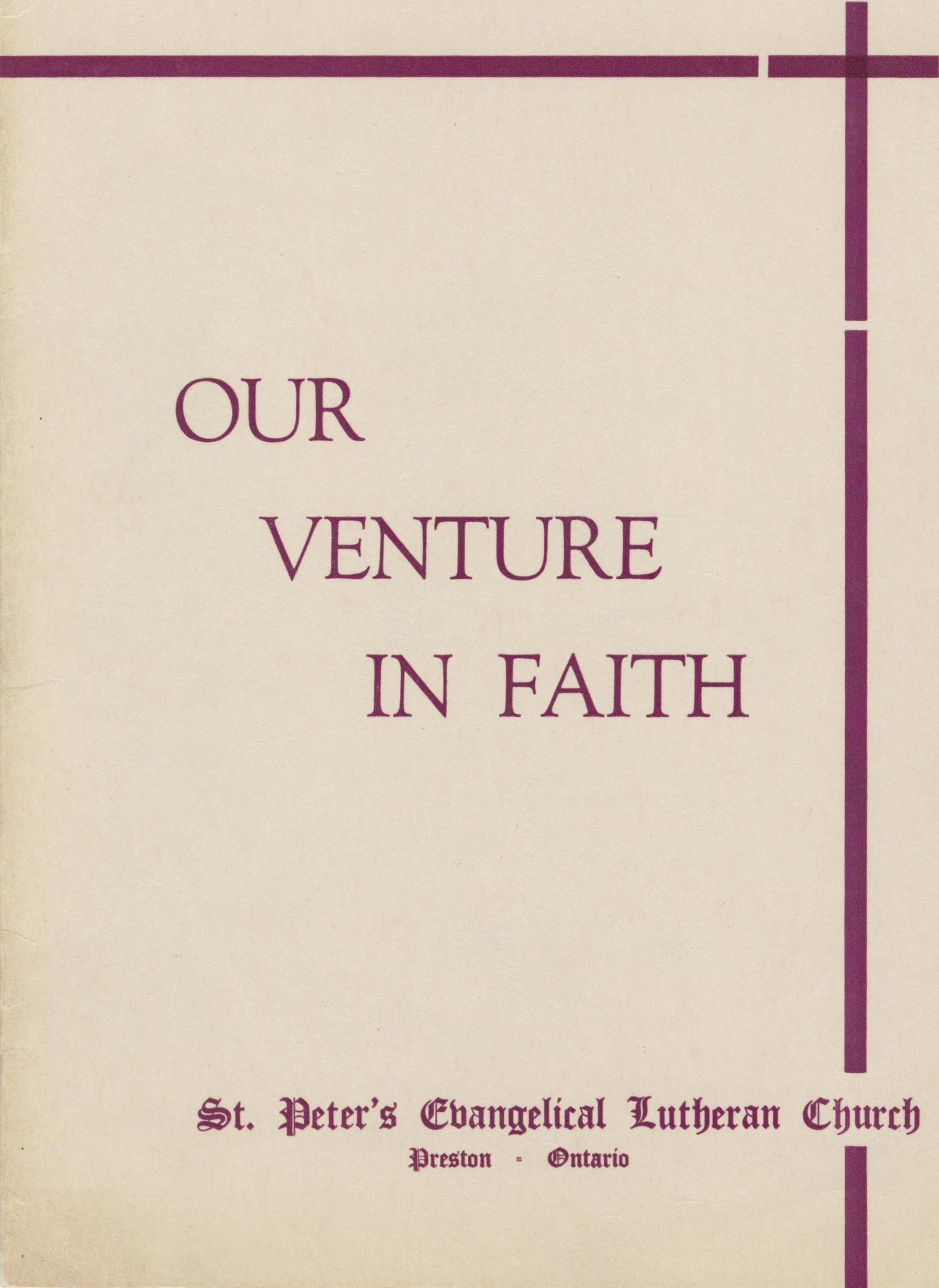


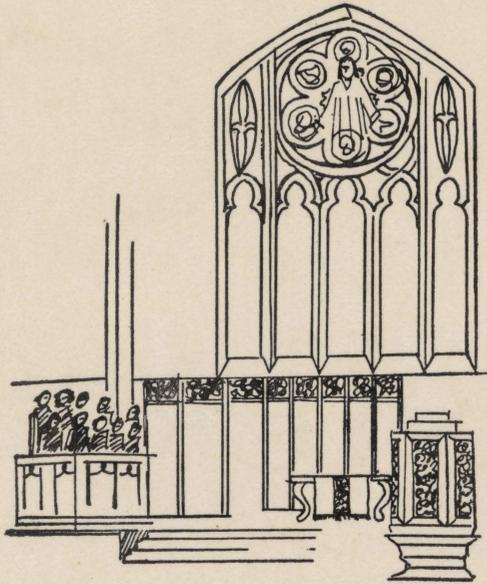
ST. PETERS LUTHERAN CHURCH

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IN FAITH

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church
Preston - Ontario

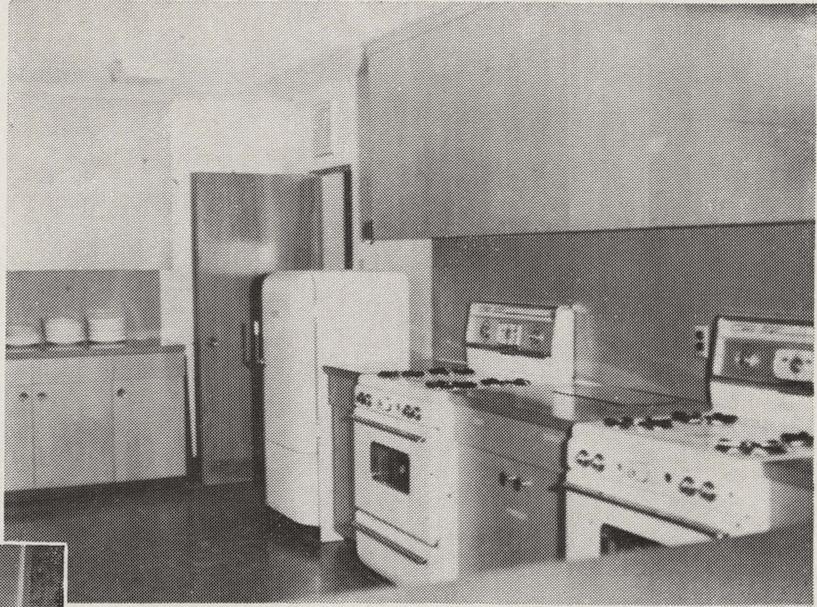


"One Generation Shall Laud Thy Works To Another,
And Shall Declare Thy Mighty Acts".

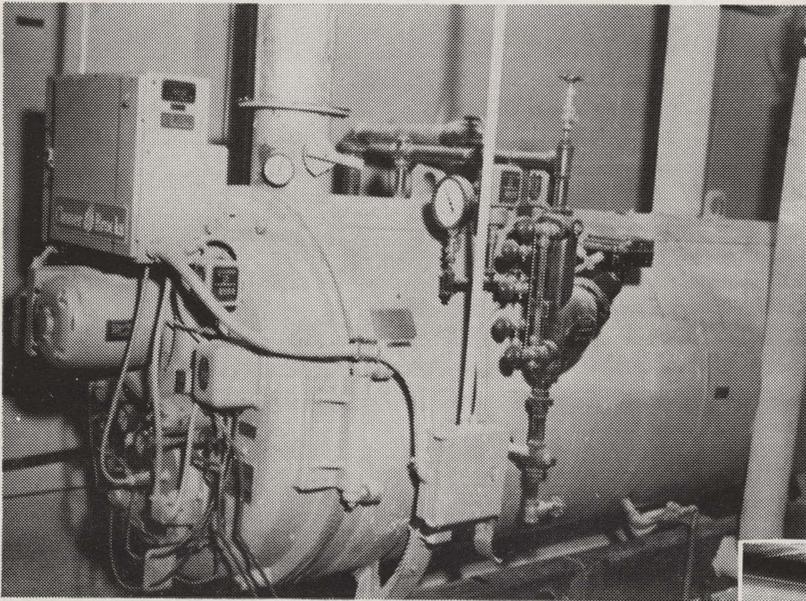
—Psalm 145: 4.

Our Past . . .

- 1834** St. Peter's congregation was organized under the guidance of Almighty God.
- 1842** Title was received to our property for the first church building on our present site. The building known as "The Old Frame Church".
- 1854** The congregation was able to purchase the deed to our property from four laymen who purchased the deed when it was sold by the sheriff.
- 1856** The plans for the building of a stone church were approved. The old church was rolled away and construction on our present church building started.
- 1913** Present parsonage was built on the former burial grounds at the rear of the church.
- 1928** The interior of the church was redecorated and the pipe organ installed.
- 1954** Plans for an Educational Building, and the addition of a chancel and renovation of the nave of the church.
- 1958** The church was re-dedicated and the Educational Building dedicated.



The modern Kitchen and Kitchenette equipment provides easier and more pleasant surroundings in which to work.

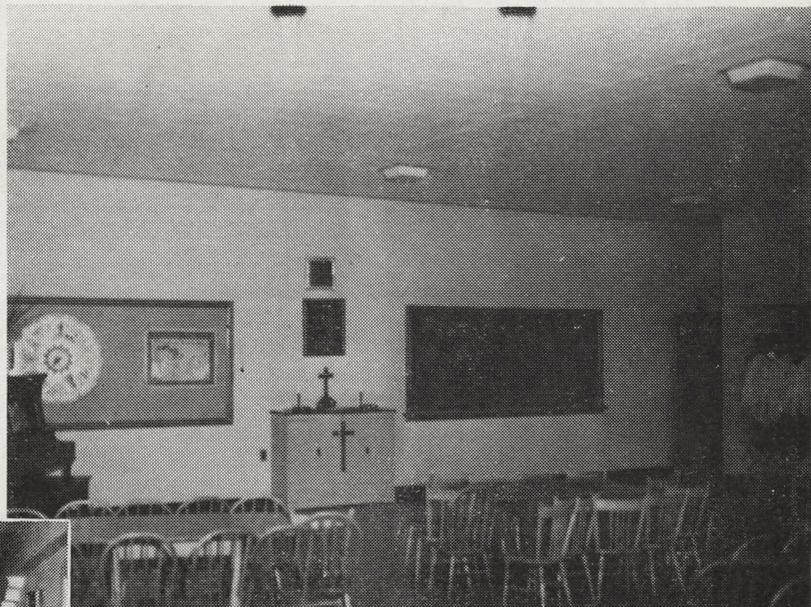


A self-contained Boiler Room, with Firedoor, eliminates the many hazards which existed and provides a more controlled and satisfactory heating system.





The New Choir Rooms now provide greater convenience and privacy for robing and the efficient storing of music.



Beginners' Classroom . . . now larger and completely equipped makes it possible for the increasing numbers of our little ones to be taught the Love of Jesus, in a more pleasant environment.



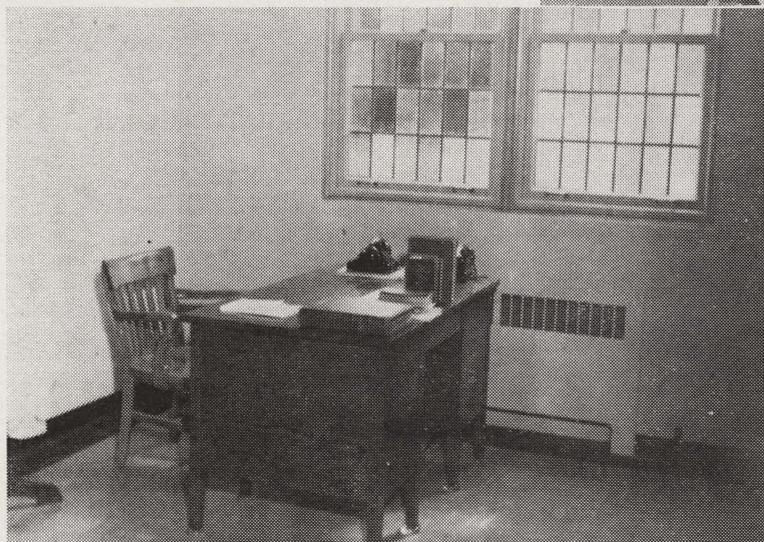
The Working Sacristy enables the Altar Guild to work more efficiently. Paraments, Linens and Sacramental vessels are kept, and the Altar appointments cared for.

The Church Office containing the vault and office equipment permits the administrative work of the church to be conducted in a more satisfactory way. The control panel for the sound system is also located in this room.



The Church Parlour with its furnishings provides a comfortable and relaxing atmosphere for our members and may be used for smaller group meetings.

Sunday School Room . . . this is one of the many classrooms our Educational Building provides, into which the children and youth of our church have the privilege of coming.



The Pastor's Study and Sacristy . . . Our Pastor now has a place to meet within the church to counsel with those who seek the guidance of the church. Here also he can meditate and prepare for his ministry unto you.

The chapel located beneath the chancel of the church may be used by groups within the church for private devotions, meditation, and small weddings.





Our new Fellowship Hall has been dedicated for the social and recreational activities of the congregation. The complete and modern structure such as has been provided will enable a greater, more enjoyable measure of Christian Fellowship for our young people and adults.

The Loyalty Dinner was one of the first congregational gatherings held in this hall. With such spacious and practical facilities our Sunday School, Luther League, United Lutheran Church Women, Choir and other groups within the church will have more opportunities of expressing in a Christian way the faith we confess.



Our beautiful place of worship with all its new adornment, further assists us in our services of worship and praise. For this truly is the House of God, and the Lord is in His Holy Temple. The chancel and its appointments inspire that sense of reverence and awe, compelling us to express our gratitude and joy like the Disciples who were present when Jesus was Transfigured on the Holy Mount, "Lord it is good for us to be here".

Pastor's Message



IT WAS WITH ANTICIPATION and hope bound together in christian faith and love that we as a congregation ventured in this Program of Christian Advancement. For the readiness and willingness of each one of you and all that you have done I would like to express my heartfelt thanks. However, our greatest and most humble gratitude must go to our Heavenly Father who has given us the opportunity to witness for Him as we combined our prayers, our gifts and our service in this great work. To His most Holy Name be the Praise and the Glory, now and always.

When thinking or meditating upon the life and teachings of Jesus, the beginnings and growth of the early church, we sometimes feel as the hymnist who wrote, "I should like to have been with Him then". We have had a similar opportunity and this is a privilege as Christians to be able to participate in such a Building for the Kingdom of God. May it be but a token expression of our desire and love to be a part of the Building, not made with hands. As the work within the church was nearing completion, a visitor from a neighbouring city and of another faith said, I would deem it an honour to be a member of a congregation which had such a faith to go forward. We have this treasure, this privilege is ours, together with the opportunity and joy of continuing to participate and give to the Honor and Glory of the Lord our God.

—JAMES S. DAUPHINEE.

Our Responsibility!

You have been asked to think and pray about our Venture in Faith. As we think of our gifts to God, we should be more concerned of the gifts God has given to each of us.

We have received guidance and the ability to reach our present goals. May our faith and willingness continue over the next 156 weeks as again we must accept the challenge.

Our Goal

Must Venture \$125,000

This is necessary to meet our obligations. We as a congregation are capable of attaining this goal. However, if we fail to continue giving as we are able we may only reach the minimum goal of \$85,000.

Following are the commitments necessary for reaching our goal:

PATTERN OF GIVING

Families	Per Week
3 giving	Above \$15.00
9 "	\$10.00 to \$14.99
5 "	\$ 7.00 to \$ 9.99
16 "	\$ 5.00 to \$ 6.99
21 "	\$ 3.50 to \$ 4.99
160 "	\$ 2.50 to \$ 3.49
232 "	\$ 1.00 to \$ 2.49
40 Students	giving \$.50

