

Pioneer Dinner to Open Calvary's Diamond Fete

Three-Day Anniversary Program to Include Concert Saturday and Two Services Sunday

A Pioneer Night banquet tomorrow will open a three-day observance in which Calvary Baptist Church will celebrate the 75th anniversary of its founding as an Evanston mission of the First Swedish Baptist Church of Chicago.

Three former pastors and 15 persons who have been members of the congregation more than 50 years will be honored at the diamond jubilee dinner.

The ministers are the Rev. Richard Rudd, now with the Moody Bible Institute; the Rev. Cecil Wagstaff, pastor of new work for the American Baptist Convention in Oak Park, and the Rev. William Turnwall, executive secretary of the Home Mission Board of the Baptist General Conference.

Parishioners to be honored include Mrs. Edwin Borgeson, Mrs. Ernest Borgeson, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Cederquist, Miss Helen Dahlgren, Miss Hannah Erickson, Mrs. John Fischer, Helmer Gillen, Miss Lilly Heerens, Miss Ruth Johnson, Mrs. Charles Knapp, Miss Ebba Landin, David Nord, Carl Seaberg and Mrs. David Tapper.

Concert Tomorrow Night

The anniversary program will continue with a concert, open to the public, at 8 p.m. Saturday. Wesley Hanson, director of the church choir, who recently was appointed to the music faculty at North Park College, will present the choir in the concert.

At this program, Dr. Samuel Schultz, professor of Old Testament at Wheaton College, will speak briefly. He is a former interim pastor at Calvary.

The Rev. Lloyd Dahlquist, general secretary of the Baptist General Conference, and the Rev. Martin Ericson, editor of the Standard, the constituency religious bi-weekly, will speak at worship services Sunday.

To Speak in Morning

The Rev. Mr. Dahlquist will be preacher at the 11 a.m. service, and the Rev. Mr. Ericson at a 7 p.m. worship.

A short time after formation as

a mission, 32 charter members organized the Swedish Baptist Church of Evanston. The church, which worshiped for a time in Union Hall on Davis Street, retained that name until 1931 when it became Calvary Baptist.

The present brick edifice was erected in 1894, and was remodeled in 1920 under the supervision of N. P. Severin, Evanston contractor. Later, Mr. Severin, who remodeled the White House in Washington, made a communion table and gavel from a Georgia pine beam from the roof of the White House. Both are still in use today.



The Rev. Alfred A. Glenn, who is completing his first year minister at Calvary Baptist Church, holds a gavel and stands behind a communion table both made from a Georgia pine beam from the White House. N. P. Severin, who remodeled both the church at White House, made both gavel and table, which are still in use.



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This is the home of Calvary Baptist Church at the corner of Lake street and Elmwood avenue. Tomorrow, the church opens a three-day observance to celebrate its 75th anniversary in Evanston. 6-8-61