

Reopening of the Sanctuary of Wesley United Church

May 23, 1976

1976 Mrs. Grace McFadden, President of Hamilton Conference of the United Church of Canada ~~xxx~~ ~~xxx~~ ~~xxx~~ brought greetings from the conference. Rev. J.A. Logan ~~xx~~ ~~xxxxxx~~ B.A., B.D., of Windsor, a former minister of this charge, who was here at the time the Christian Education Building was built, (1957), was guest preacher.

The completely renovated church sanctuary was rededicated to the glory of God and to His service. Renovations included the removal of gallery, addition of a new entrance and narthex, new pews with a centre aisle, new redwood ceiling, new lighting and carpeting of the entire sanctuary.

Memorial gifts included four entrance doors, given in memory of Howard L. Roberts, M.A., B.D., the first member of this church to enter the ministry. Rev. Mr. Roberts was ordained in 1914 and completed his ministry 1949. His pastorate included Memorial, St. Catharines; Lundy's Lane, Niagara Falls, Colborne St., Brantford; Wesley, Galt; George Street, Peterborough. He was also President of Hamilton Conference. This memorial was the gift of his widow and family.

The carpet was given in memory of Wm. J. Bailey, by his widow and family. Mr. Bailey was a very active member in the former Methodist Church and after Church Union was an elder until his death 1957.

The beautiful chandeliers adorning the Sanctuary were given by James and Stella Duxbury, Donald and Mary Duxbury.

The impressive Cross which is illuminated and is over the main entrance, was given anonymously.