

CELEBRATION OF ITS 100 YEARS

Centennial of Hudson Universalist
SERVICE HELD TONIGHT
The Sunday Events—Those Who Will Take Part.

The centennial services of the Universalist church of this city will begin this evening, continuing to-morrow and Monday. Several out of town people and former pastors will participate in the exercises. There will be special sermons and attractive music throughout the program and a banquet Monday night will bring the celebration to a close.

The church was organized March 17, 1817, and the first Universalist sermon was preached in Hudson by Rev. A. [Abner] Kneeland. Capt. John Hathaway, one of the founders of the Presbyterian church of this city, donated a plot of ground upon which the first edifice was erected, at the corner of Third and Allen streets, and dedicated October 23, 1817. The present church building was dedicated October 7, 1867.

Among the ministers who have served in the church are: Joshua Flagg, 1817; David Pickering, 1823; Thos. F. King, 1823; Joshua Flagg, 1829; T. J. [Thomas Jefferson] Whitcomb, 1830; Wm. Whittaker, 1832; D. Ackley, 1838; C. F. [Clement Fall] LeFevre, 1840; B. B. Bunker, 1844; G. Callino, 1846; L. C. [Lewis Cresaba] Browne, 1853; Thos. Borden, 1856; A. E. Abbott, 1860; Nelson Snell, 1863; C. [Charles] W. Tomlinson, 1868; A. G. Rogers, 1880; T. A. Perry, 1887; V. [Vincent] C. Tomlinson, 1890; J. D. Cerby, 1895; A. A. Blair, 1900; L. L. Greene, 1903; G. D. [George Delbert] Walker, 1905; G. W. Scudder, 1911; H. L. Rickard, 1916, C. H. Murch, 1916.

Following is the program which will be carried out: Saturday, March 17, 7:30 p.m., centennial celebration; address by the minister; address by Rev. G. D. Walker; address by Rev. T. L. Cole.

Sunday, March 18, 11 a.m., Sermon by Rev. G. D. Walker; 7:30 p.m., address by Rev. T. L. Drury, of Troy.

Monday, March 19, 7 p.m., banquet; address by Rev. V. C. Tomlinson, Rev. A. A. Blair, Rev. T.L. Drury, and others.

The officers of the church are:

Rev. Charles H. Murch, minister; William Heth, president of parish; Charlotte H. Berridge, clerk of parish; J. Henry Carpenter, treasurer of parish; Mrs. H. H. Smith, supt. of Sunday school; Mrs. J. Metz, ass't. supt. of Sunday school; Mrs. L. Fowler, president of Willing Workers; Mrs. H. Thomas, 1st vice pres. Willing Workers; Mrs. S. B. Newcomb, 2nd vice pres. Willing Workers; Miss Eloise Payne, secretary of Willing Workers; Miss S. Clark, treasurer of Willing Workers.

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