

# Talbotville United Church.

Other ministers were,

Rev. E. Doed. 1857-58.

Rev. E. Bothwell. 1858-59

Rev. J. H. Robinson 1859-60

Rev. E. F. Brown 1860

Rev. Wm. Gundy 1860-63

Rev. E. Kershaw 1863-66

Rev. F. Haines 1866-68

Rev. J. White 1868-72

Rev. W. Henderson 1872-74

Rev. Wm. Birks 1874-77-Present parsonage built in 1875.

Rev. Thomas Jackson 1877-80-Present church built in 1878.

Rev. Edwin Holmes 1880-81

Rev. Daniel Thompson 1881-83

Rev. Joseph Ward M.A. B.D. 1883-84.

Rev. Joseph Philp. B.D. 1884-85

Rev. Robert Parsons 1885-88

Rev. Edward Kershaw 1888-91

Rev. D.M. Kennedy 1891-94.

Rev. John Yelland 1894-96

Rev. David Rogers 1896-97.

Rev. Thomas Sanderson 1897-1901.

Rev. Charles C. Cowsens 1901-1904

Rev. R. Redmond 1904-08.

Rev. J. Fletcher Sutcliffe<sup>BD.</sup> 1908-11

1st Ch 1844  
2nd Ch 1876

Parsonage Bt 1860-rebuilt 1875  
See P. 4 Mr. Hedley's history



# Talbotville United Church.

Ministers of Church. (continued.)

Rev. John Holmes. 1911-14 (Retired in 1914).

Rev. John Mahan 1914-16. (Retired in 1916.)

Rev. John Kennedy. B.D. 1916-19 (Retired in 1919).

Rev. J. Morley Colling 1919-20 (ordained in this church  
(following service overseas in World War. I.)

Rev. J. Melvin Keyes. B.A. 1920-24.

Rev. C. L. Cousens 1924-27 (son of Rev. C. C. Cousens, 1901-04).

Rev. R. C. Copeland. B.A. 1927-29 (Secretary of London Conference).

Rev. Sam. J. Bridgette. B.A. 1929-36 (longest ministry in Talbotville Church - 7 years.)

Rev. Thomas Sawyer 1936-37. (retired in 1937.)

Rev. John W. Hedley. B.D. 1937-40 (compiled history of our Church (retired 1940).

Rev. Harry Royle 1940-45. (President of London Conference, 1941 (retired 1945).

Rev. Angus P. Taylor. 1945- (Minister at present time, April 1947.)

Parsonage was rented in 1945; when new circuit (Talbotville, Townline and Yarmouth Centre) was formed. Rev. Taylor resides at Yarmouth Centre, and motors to Talbotville for service, Sunday 11 a.m.

Men who have entered ministry from our church, -

1881 - Rev. James E. Holmes, son of Rev. Edwin Holmes.

1883 - Rev. A. K. Birks, son of Rev. Wm. Birks.

- Rev. Thomas Voaden, <sup>retired St. Catharines</sup> son of Mr. Wm. Voaden, Talbotville.

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## Talbotville United Church.

In 1859, New Connexion Methodist Church, Talbotville Circuit was organized.

In 1874, Wesleyan and New Connexion Churches were united.

In 1875, parsonage was built.

In 1878, present church was built, under pastorate of Rev. Thomas Jackson, dedicated by Rev. M. Benson. D.D.

In 1883, Methodists and Bible Christians united.

Changes were made in circuit at intervals, but in 1886, the circuit of two appointments, Talbotville and Townline was formed, minister continued to live at Talbotville.

In 1925, Methodists, Presbyterians and Congregationals<sup>(of Canada)</sup> united. (United Church of Canada), during pastorate of Rev. C.L. Cowsens.)

In 1945, St. Thomas Suburban Charge was formed.

Rev. Angus R. Taylor took charge of this new circuit in July, 1945, and is minister at present time. (April, 1947).

Circuit consists of Talbotville, Town Line and Yarmouth Centre, with pastor residing at Yarmouth Centre parsonage.

Talbotville parsonage is rented. Rev. Harry Royle, the minister at time of this change retired to live in London, Ont.

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who are tempted; for light to those who seek the way,  
RESPONSE - We dedicate this House.

For the hallowing of family life; for the teaching and  
guiding the young; for the perfecting of the saints,  
RESPONSE - We dedicate this House.

For the proclamation and promotion of Righteousness;  
for the diffusion of knowledge; for the extension of the  
Kingdom of God,  
RESPONSE - We dedicate this House.

In the unity of the faith; in the bond of Christian  
brotherhood; in charity and goodwill to all,  
RESPONSE - We dedicate this House.

In gratitude for the labours of the saints; in loving  
remembrance of those who have finished their course; in  
the hope of a blessed immortality through Jesus Christ,  
RESPONSE - We dedicate this House.

#### ACT OF SELF-DEDICATION (All in Unison)

We now, the people of this Church, and congregation, com-  
passed about with a great cloud of witnesses, grateful  
for our heritage, sensible of the sacrifice of the fathers,  
confessing that apart from us their work cannot be made  
perfect, do dedicate ourselves anew to the worship and  
service of Almighty God. Amen.

Benediction

Choir.

We shall be pleased to see you at the Supper and

Concert held here to-morrow evening.

Supper served from 6.00 P. M.

# TALBOTVILLE UNITED CHURCH

DEDICATION OF SUNDAY SCHOOL HALL

JUNE 29TH ----- 1941

MINISTER: - The REV. HARRY ROYLE

Friend, there is a welcome in this church for thee;  
Come in and rest, and think, and pray;  
What men have builded for God's glory, see.  
Give thanks, and so in peace, go on thy way.

(From Shrewsbury Abby, - England.)

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On Friday, December 6th, 1940, fire swept away our School Hall,  
Kitchen, and the North Shed. We are very grateful that the Church  
was not destroyed. Had it not been for the very fine and large  
group of fire fighters, and mechanical help from Union, Yarmouth,  
Shedden, and Fingal, a worse fate would have befallen us. We now  
have a new School Hall which to-day we dedicate to the glory of  
God in the use to be made of it by the Sunday School, The Young  
People's Union and other branches of our Church work. May they  
grow in numbers and in grace.

Our thanks are due to all who helped, especially to the Trustee  
Board which constituted itself into a Building Committee with  
James Gunning as chairman, and Ed. Haines as secretary-treasurer.

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We humbly give thanks to God, and do all to His Glory.



## ORDER OF SERVICE

Organ Prelude                      Miss Frances Gunning

Choir and Ministers enter              (all stand)

Doxology

National Anthem

Invocation

Hymn                                      399

Prayer

Lord's Prayer                      (In Unison)

Choir

Psalm Selection                      713

Announcements

Offering

Choir

Hymn                                      167

Sermon

Hymn                                      157

Service of Dedication.

The congregation will form in line in each aisle. Then the ministers, followed by the choir, and then the congregation will proceed into the School Hall, where the ministers will occupy the platform with the choir on either side, and the congregation in the auditorium, all standing, while the Act of Dedication is carried out.

## CALL TO DEDICATION:

Beloved in the Lord: God our Heavenly Father, having of His grace, which is in Jesus Christ our Lord, brought to its consummation, your work of building for the honour of His Holy Name, a house within whose walls, His gospel is to be truly preached, and prayer and praise are to be offered unto Him, we are now gathered in His presence for the purpose of dedicating this house, by a solemn act of worship, to its proper and sacred use. Let us therefore seek His blessing on this Service.

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION:

O eternal God, mighty in power, of majesty incomprehensible; whom the heaven of heavens cannot contain, much less the walls of temples made with hands, who hast been graciously pleased to promise Thy special presence in whatever place two or three of Thy faithful servants shall assemble in Thy name, to offer up their praises and supplications unto Thee; vouchsafe, O Lord, to be present with us, who are gathered here together, with all humility and readiness of heart to consecrate this place to the honour of Thy great name: we dedicate it entirely to Thy service, for the reading Thy Holy Word, for preaching Thy mighty gospel, for offering to Thy glorious Majesty the sacrifices of prayer and thanksgiving, for blessing Thy people in Thy name, and for all other Holy Ordinances: that so this house may be an habitation of Thy glory, and a reflection of Thine everlasting light upon all who enter to meet Thy Presence, and to be satisfied with Thy Eternal Love, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with Thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

## ACT OF DEDICATION:

(The people joining in the Responses)  
To the glory of God the Father, who has called us by His grace; and of His Son, who loved us and gave Himself for us; and of the Holy Spirit, who illumines and sanctifies us.

RESPONSE - We dedicate this House.

For the worship of God in Prayer and Praise; for the preaching of the everlasting gospel; for sundry activities of Church and community,

RESPONSE - We dedicate this House.

For the comfort of all who mourn; for the strength to those



The 46th Anniversary of  
**Talbotville Methodist Church**

WILL BE HELD OCTOBER 12th, 1924

A Thank-Offering of \$300 is requested

*"The Lord Loveth a Cheerful Giver"*

Name..... *Walter Cuckland*

Amount.....

*We Extend to You a Hearty Invitation to the*

**Seventieth Anniversary**

*— of the —*

**Talbotville United Church**

**Sunday, October 10, 1948**

GUEST PREACHER:

REV. A. E. DUFFIELD, B.A., B.D., of Lambeth

SERVICES—11.00 A.M. and 7.30 P.M.

Thankoffering Objective is \$500.

NAME.....

*"Come ye thankful people, come"*

1878 - 1953

This is an Invitation to You and Your Friends to Attend the

**Sebenty-fifth Anniversary Services**

*— of the —*

**Talbotville United Church**

**Sunday, October 11th, 1953**

GUEST PREACHERS

11.00 a.m.—Rev. W. G. Hume, B.A., North Street Church

8.00 p.m.—Rev. R. B. Craig, B.A., B.D., First Church, St. Thomas

— Special Choir Music —

THANKOFFERING OBJECTIVE IS \$500.

Name.....

Anniversary Turkey Dinner, Wednesday, October 14th, 5.30 - 8.00 p.m.



Nov 28-1959



**A TIME TO GET ACQUAINTED** — Yesterday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. John Ker were hosts in their historic home, at Port Talbot, on Lake Erie's shoreline, for a tea at which those actively interested in the Elgin County Museum's inception and continuance were guests. Mr. Ker, who is a member of the Colonel Talbot Committee, took this pleasant way of becoming acquainted with the active workers which included past and present historical conveners of Elgin County's Women's Institutes, the members of the executive board and representatives from the city and county, and those serving with Mr. Ker on the

Colonel Talbot Committee. Grouped about the huge old fireplace, which is in the lovely and spacious living room of Malahide Castle, as the Ker's home was known for so many years, are Mrs. Edna Scott, Union; Mrs. R. H. McNeil, Dutton; Mrs. J. D. Galbraith, Iona Station, Mrs. Bert Hindley, Union, and Mrs. Ker. The object which they are inspecting is an ancient iron broadaxe, one of the many items of interest in the Ker home. The room in which the picture was taken was used by Colonel Talbot as an audience chamber during his regime. — (T.-J. Photo.)