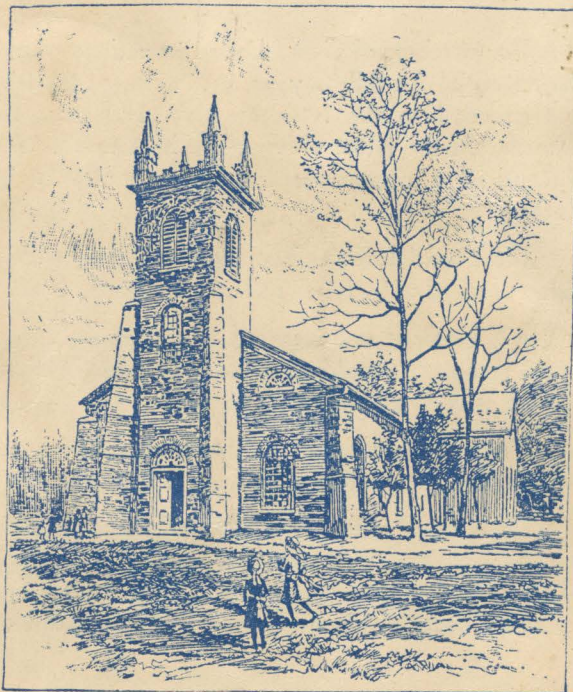


ESPECIAL COMMUNICATION
OF THE
GRAND LODGE, A.F. & A.M. OF CANADA
IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO
AT NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE, ONTARIO
ON JULY 14th, 1942



St. MARK'S CHURCH, NIAGARA, 1887.

ORDER OF DIVINE SERVICE AT ST. MARK'S CHURCH
NIAGARA

IN COMMEMORATION OF 150 YEARS OF
FREEMASONRY IN THE NIAGARA DISTRICT

1792 - 1942

MASONIC BRETHREN OF THIS GRAND JURISDICTION, AND
PARTICULARLY THOSE OF THE NIAGARA PENINSULA, ARE
CORDIALLY INVITED TO JOIN IN THIS CELEBRATION.

The members of Grand Lodge immediately upon the arrival of the S.S. Cayuga at Niagara-on-the-lake, will proceed to the Masonic Hall, and after due preparations the Most Worshipful The Grand Master will unveil a commemoration tablet in the Lodge Room.

The Grand Lodge delegation will then without delay proceed to St. Mark's Church for Divine Service.

All brethren not required in the above Lodge Room ceremony should assemble in St. Mark's Church and be in their places by 10.40 a.m.

Only those meeting in the Lodge Room will require to be masonically clothed. Dress informal.

Upon arrival of the Grand Master and accompanying officers, and the past and present officers of Niagara Lodge, No. 2, at St. Mark's Church, the following order of Divine Service will be conducted.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

All brethren standing, the Bishop of the Diocese, or his deputy, will welcome Grand Lodge.

Hymn 379

○ God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home.

A thousand ages in Thy sight
Are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.

Under the shadow of Thy throne
Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is Thine arm alone,
And our defence is sure.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
Bears all its sons away;
They fly, forgotten, as a dream
Dies at the opening day.

Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting Thou art God,
To endless years the same.

○ God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guard while troubles last,
And our eternal home. Amen.

Opening Sentences:

R.W. THE GRAND CHAPLAIN.

The Exhortation:

Dearly beloved brethren, I pray and beseech you as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice, saying after me:

The Lord's Prayer. (Let us pray).

The Forgiveness:

Grant, we beseech Thee, merciful God, to thy faithful people pardon and peace: that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve Thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The brethren being seated

The Scripture Lesson will be read

Ecclesiasticus, Ch. 44: 1-15.

THE M.W. THE GRAND MASTER.

The Address

THE RT. REV. and R.W. BRO. W. C. WHITE, P.G.C.

The Prayers

The Benediction:

THE BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE.

GOD SAVE THE KING

The Grand Master and officers of Grand Lodge will leave the Church first, and proceed to the Masonic Hall, where preparations will be made for immediate departure.

Other visiting brethren who have the time will be warmly welcomed at Masonic Hall to view the commemoration tablet, and local brethren will be glad to point out matters of interest connected with Old Niagara.

Grand Lodge extends its thanks to the Rector of St. Mark's, Bro. the Rev. C. H. E. Smith, M.A., and to the Wardens of St. Mark's, for their courtesy in allowing this time-honoured service to be held in this historic Church.

M.W. Bro. J. A. MacRAE, G.M.

R.W. Bro. E. G. DIXON, G.S.

R.W. Bro. T. N. LOWE, G.C.

R.W. Bro. G. W. IRVINE, D.D.G.M., Niagara A.

R.W. Bro. T. W. HOUTBY, D.D.G.M., Niagara B.

W. Bro. C. S. KNOX, W.M. Niagara Lodge, No. 2.

Bro. the Rev. C. H. E. SMITH, Chaplain, Niagara Lodge, No. 2.