



SPEEDWAY CHRISTIAN CHURCH HISTORY

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5110 WEST 14TH STREET SPEEDWAY, IN 46224

In order to celebrate the life of our present Sanctuary and Church, we must look back in time to the earlier disciples whose dedicated labors of faith ultimately produced these structures.

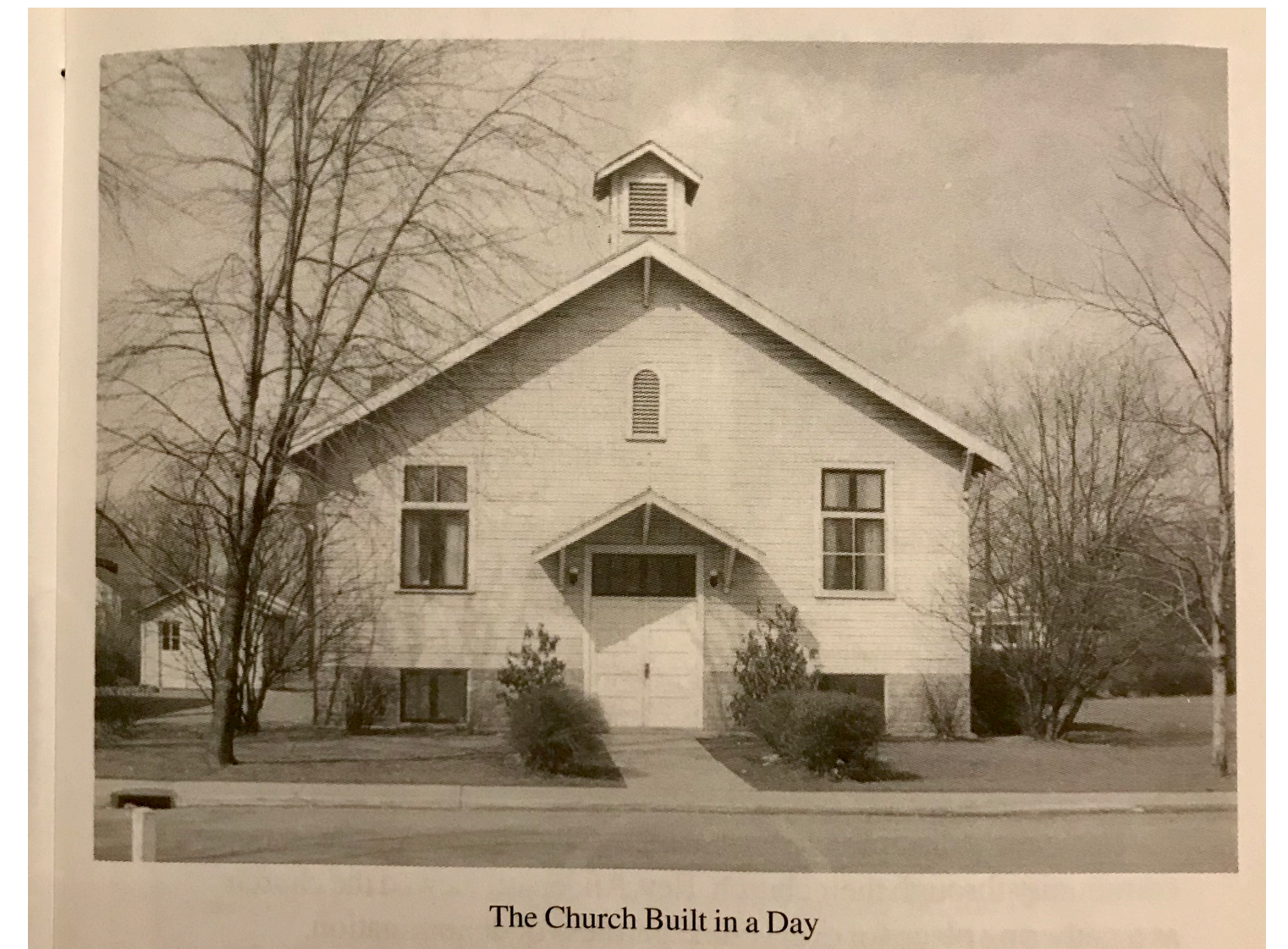
The year was 1917 and Ida Marvel organized a Sunday School class with the help of Rev. W. J. Cunningham. This group met faithfully every Sunday in a one room brick schoolhouse at 10th and Auburn.



THE CHURCH BUILT IN A DAY

The land at 14th and Winton was donated for the new church by Speedway Reality Co. On Sunday, September 5, 1929, the ground breaking ceremony was held. One hundred volunteers arrived early to the site on Saturday, September 18. At the end of the day a Church with a capacity of 300 had not only been erected, but also a prime coat applied to the exterior. The interior was stained, lights were installed, and seats were in place. **THE CHURCH BUILT IN A DAY** was a reality!

Dedication services were conducted on Sunday, September 19 by Rev. Harry Davis. The 30 charter members were present and all seats were filled. The church was officially named **SPEEDWAY CHRISTIAN CHURCH, DISCIPLES OF CHRIST.**



The Church Built in a Day

THE 1ST ADDITION

The congregation quickly grew with a huge boom during WWII. By September of 1945 the church was well over 900 members. Sunday School overflow classes were meeting in the elementary school across the street. There were two services every Sunday. It was time to add on! In early 1948 the drawings were prepared. There was to be a larger sanctuary built, a social room, junior chapel, classrooms for primary to high school and a dedicated nursery. The new corner stone was laid on July 18, 1948. The dedication of the new Sanctuary was on September 11, 1949. By May of 1956 the education wing was completed. The new facility held 1,000 people. There was and estimated 1,400 attending at this time with 1,900 members. Over 200 men attended fellowship dinners and the CWF was comprised of 10 circles.



1948 – Laying the Cornerstone



Sanctuary Construction – 1948

2ND ADDITION

After the turn of the century, Speedway Christian Church decided to expand once more! In 2001 a renovation plan was put into place at \$2 million dollars. We would add on and update the parking lot, create a new entrance including an elevator with access to 3 floors, add a new and improved administrative area with separate offices and a meeting space. Also, moving the gathering room called The Bethany Room to a new spot more accessible for social gatherings. Lastly, a Hall of Lights was installed to join together the sanctuary and the education wing.

A while after the renovation finished, SCC bought the property next door. With the help of Opportunity Day Preschool we turned this into an outdoor gathering area.



Hall of Lights



Offices & Meeting area



Senior
Minister's
Office



Outdoor
Gathering
Area

SENIOR MINISTERS

Rev. Howard E. Anderson	1927-1945
Rev. Kenneth E. Thorne	1945-1957
Rev. Ray Montgomery	1957-1979
Rev. Andrew Crowley	1979-2006
Rev. Douglas Kris	2006-2011
Rev. James McKibbin (Interim)	2011-2012
Rev. Scott Cox	2013-2020
Rev. Ronald Deggges (Interim)	2020-2021
Rev. Kyle Hunter	2021-Current



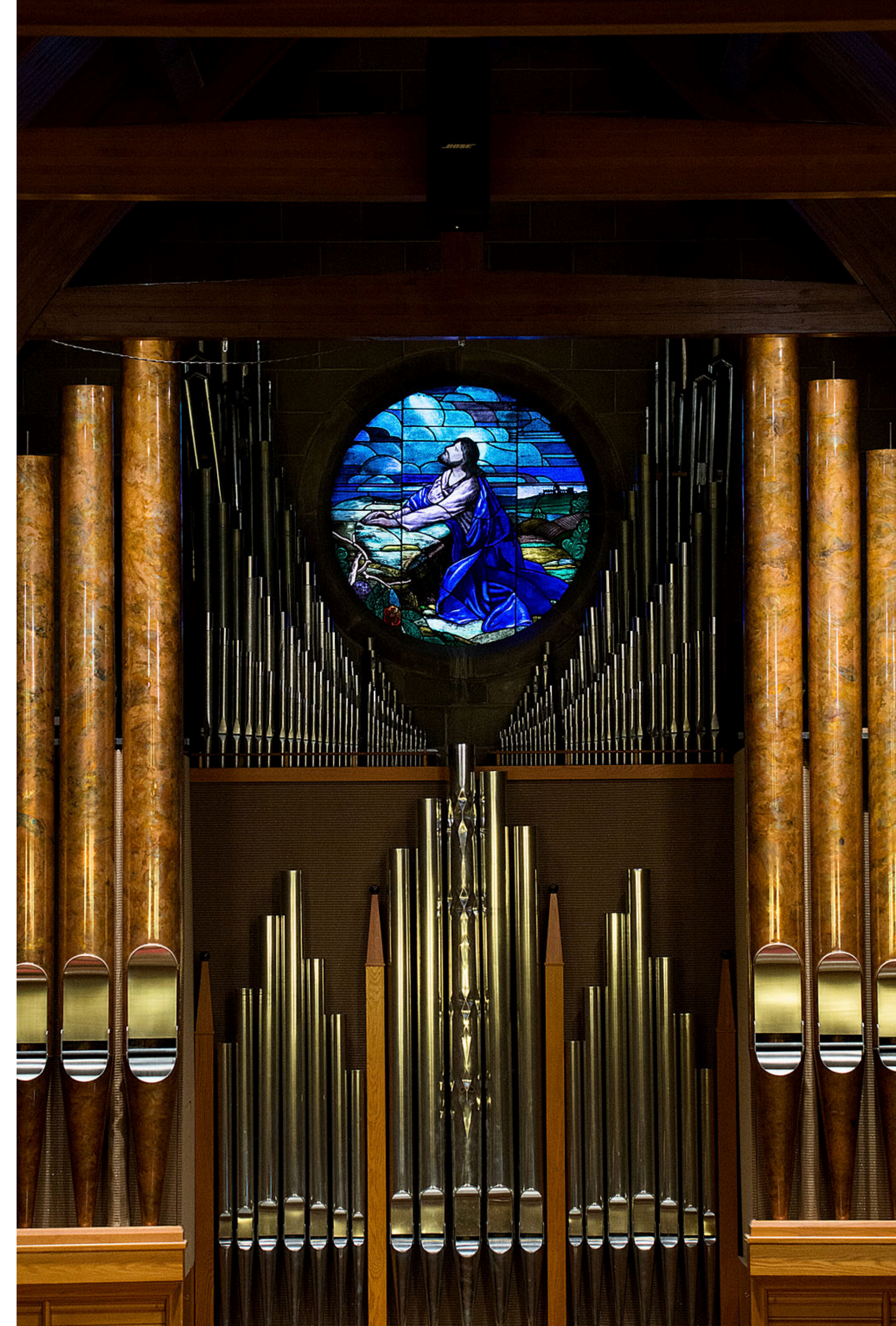
ASSOCIATE MINISTERS

Rev. John L. Andrae	1958-1969
Rev. Arthur Vermillion	1961-1971
Rev Dena Victtorio	1983-1990
Rev. Joseph Ridenour	1996-2014
Rev. Carol Wilson (Interim)	1990-1991
Rev. Don Lynn	1992-1996
Rev. Lori Adams	1992-1994
Rev. J.P. Channels (Student)	1997-2000
Rev. Adam Kirtley	1999—2000
Rev. Katie Griffin	2019-Current



MINISTER OF MUSIC

Robert Kintner	1959-1961
Foster Hotchkiss	1962-1968
Rev. Joseph Ridenour	1973-1989
Sandy Stroh (Organist)	1973-1988
Jack Fox (Director)	1989-2002
Randy Morris (Director)	2002-2007
Rev. Marge Graham	2007-2019
Evan Cogswell (Interim)	2019- 2021
Travis Whaley	2021-Current



MINISTERS

Minister of Christian Education & Youth Ministry

Rev. Randy Kuss

2005-2018

Minister of Discipleship & Pastoral Care

Rev. Nona Hodder

2011-2015

Minister of Music & Worship

Marge Graham

2007-2019



TIMOTHY & PHOEBE

Robert Huber	1956
Barton Updike	1968
Tom McGilliard	1981
Mary Lynn Dell	1981
Gary McCormick	1982
W. Chris Dodson	1987
Carol Wilson	1991
Linda Patrick Rosebrock	1992
Jenni Crowley	1997
Darren Huber	2022
Taylor Condre	SOON

