

CALVARY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



A Celebration of History

- **1912** Old Stone Church. Organized as Egg Harbor Union Society. Met in homes and old town hall and decided to build a designed featured in Ladies Home Journal. Stone and land were donated by "Grandmother" Manney" (Browning house, built in 1875). Stone quarried right across Hwy 42 in Wilson's quarry. Built with local labor (supplied mostly by members). Needed enough room for the horses to be tied up. By building completion, the number of automobiles exceeded horses parked at church.
- **1924** Old Stone Church building completed after delays due to World War I and Great Depression. New affiliation with the Evangelical Church and circuit congregations at Sister Bay, Gibraltar, Nasewaupsee, and West Jacksonport.
- **1934** West Jacksonport disbanded to join with Egg Harbor congregation.
- **1940-1980** Fish Creek Community Church was part of the circuit.
- 1946 - The Evangelical Church merged with the United Brethren Church to become the Evangelical United Brethren denomination (EUB).
- **1949** Parsonage built directly north of the Old Stone Church.
- **1961** Calvary hosted the second Wisconsin EUB Men's Congress. Voted to make Rev. Merlin Goehring's dream "to have a new church" the statewide project of the year.
- **1963** Groundbreaking was on the afternoon of September 26, 1963.
- **1964** Cornerstone laying December 6, 1964.
- **1965** Structure was dedicated on Palm Sunday afternoon, April 11, 1965 with 300 people in attendance (during a terrific thunder and rain storm). Ladies of the church prepared and served breakfast and lunch with a coffee hour after the 2 pm Dedication Service. The original rock for the altar cracked during installation, so a new replacement altar stone was located. The single large slab of rock for the altar came from Fish Creek farmer Olaf Olsen's barnyard. The manure was washed off and put in place the night before the dedication. Specially designed stand donated by Peterson (Ship) Builders.
- **1968** Evangelical United Brethren and Methodist merger as United Methodist Church.
- **1998** Herb and Loretta Anschutz donated their lot (with garage) on Church Street with dedication Sunday, September 13, 1998 with an all-church Potluck Picnic after worship.
- **1999** Purchased lot directly north of Anschutz's lot for \$33,000. Driveway installed on new lot connected parking lot and Church street.
- **2000** Approved building plans for a two-level addition with installation of new well to accommodate new addition. New facility provided space for pastor's office, secretary's office, work area/small kitchenette, meeting room, Sunday school room, youth room, storage room and furnace room.