

100 Years of Grace

Grace Lutheran Church – First Decade

Grace Lutheran Church was founded on February 24, 1917, at a meeting of eleven consecrated Christian men held at the home of Hans Clemann on 43rd Avenue in Vero Beach, FL (also known as Clemann Ave.). The eleven were H. Clemann, L. H. Clemann, Ed Clemann, W. J. Orth, C. H. Lange, F. W. Meyer, George Mattmueller, W. C. Brasch, C. Kutz, E. Klingsick and L. Klingsick. Prior to that date, services had been held at the Harris School House on the corner of Glendale and Clemann Avenue (8th St. & 43rd Ave.) and services continued in the school house until 1919.

At the first meeting, an offer of two lots from the Indian River Farms Company was accepted and the group chose Lots 8 & 9, Block 34, Original Town of Vero, on 17th Avenue in Vero Beach.

On Sunday, June 8, 1919, Grace congregation dedicated its first House of Worship, a modest frame chapel seating 65.

In June, 1921, Grace congregation became a member of the Missouri Synod and in July 1922, received its Charter of Incorporation from the State of Florida.

Hans Clemann's House @ 1775 43rd Avenue

