

This is the 57th annual meeting of Pilgrim Church.

The office of Historian was created for the purpose of accumulating and preserving materials and data that concerns the history of the Church since its organization.

We have been fairly successful in this and are gradually adding to the material in hand. I want to make again my annual appeal to all the members of the Church and others interested to place in my hands anything they have, and can spare, that in any manner concerns the Church or any of the organization connected with the Church, Books, pamphlets, pictures, letters or programs. We now have a safe in which to protect and preserve them.

There has recently been added to the Church library a book giving a history of Congregational Missions in Minnesota and it has chapter devoted to northern Minnesota and the field in which this church is particularly interested. A Letter from Dr Leshar brings the information down to date. Any one interested in this subject will be ~~interested in~~ pleased to find this book at hand.

Possibly there are some who are not aware there are bound volumes of the church bulletins ~~for~~ ^{from} the past 20 years ~~to~~ ^{to} 1908.- in the church office. These bulletins are a record of the daily activities of the church and the organizations connected with it.

There are also to be found in the church office several scrap books, cleverly made by Mrs Grawn, that are valuable acquisitions to our historical material,

I recently came across in the office of the register of deeds for St Louis county a record of the ~~###~~ meeting of the church members at which trustees were elected. This instrument was recorded July 17, 1872. It reads as follows ;

