

✚ HOLY HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE HILL OVERLOOKING ROBESONIA ✚

GALLERY – ARTISTS AMONG US

St. Daniel's archives are filled with more than just records of names and dates. They're rich with stories, memories, photos, and a wonderful sample of art that brings pieces of our history to life. From carefully crafted drawings and paintings to creative sketches and commemorative pieces, these treasures reflect the talent, faith, and spirit of generations of our congregation. Some are historically significant, while others are simply fun glimpses into our church's past. Together, they remind us that our history has been preserved not only in words, but also through the hands of gifted artists who have been part of the St. Daniel's family.

This Holy Highlight is not meant to – nor could it possibly – be an all-inclusive showcase of every work of art, every artistic expression, or every artist who has contributed to the life and history of St. Daniel's Lutheran Church. Instead, it presents a sampling of the many meaningful works that have helped tell our congregation's story over the years. While a few other related pieces are included, this presentation primarily highlights artistic depictions of St. Daniel's church buildings through the years.

What an amazing and enduring history we share!

Follow this space throughout the year for snippets of St. Daniel's history from 1751 to 2026.

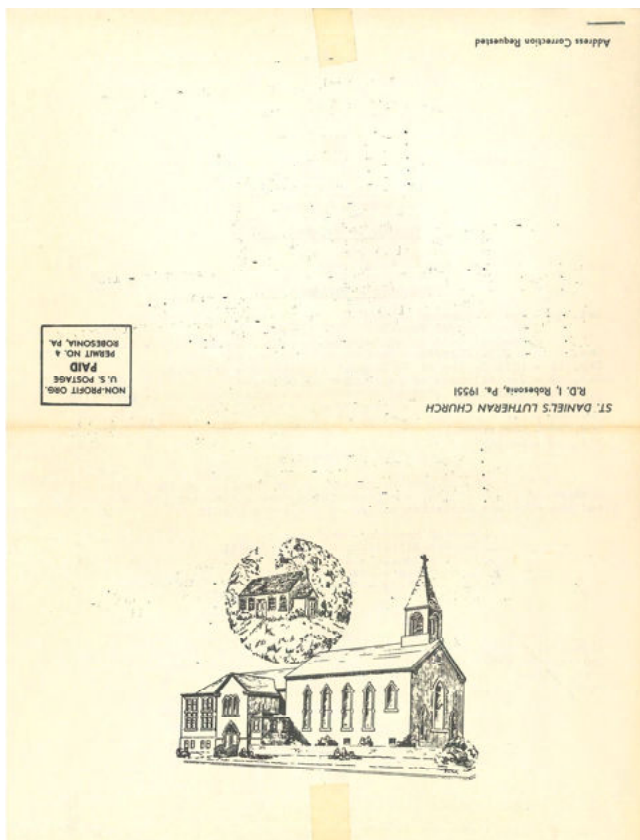
Items on display at St. Daniel's as noted. Scans from St. Daniel's archives.

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Our 1st church building in the 1750s - Artist's concept drawing by Nancy Deiter.



A drawing by Nancy Deiter of the 2nd church including the Education building, along with an inset of the 1st church building. This image appeared in several church publications, including newsletters and the 200th and 225th Anniversary booklets, as well as on a souvenir plate honoring the 50th anniversary of the Sunday School (1970). One of the plates is in the wall cabinet.



Currently on display in the Narthex, this silk screen print by Bonnie Thomas was created as a fundraiser after the church fire in December 1976.



Currently hanging in the Chapel Lounge, a painting of the 2nd church building, presented by Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Kalbach, June 17, 1979.



OLD CHURCH REPLICA — JACK FROST FROLIC

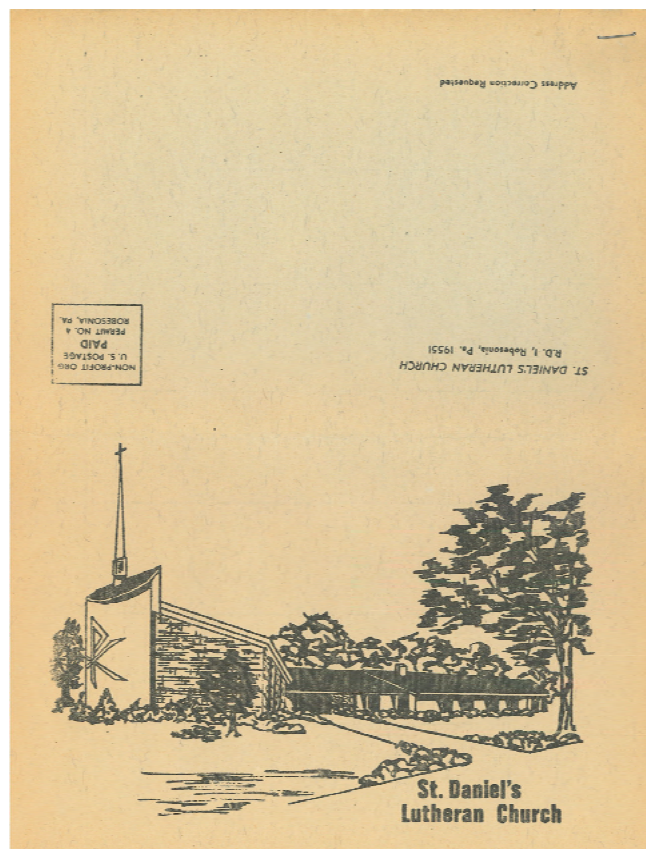
From the 1946 Parish Record, a float in the Trinity Jack Frost parade in 1945 depicted the 2nd church building.



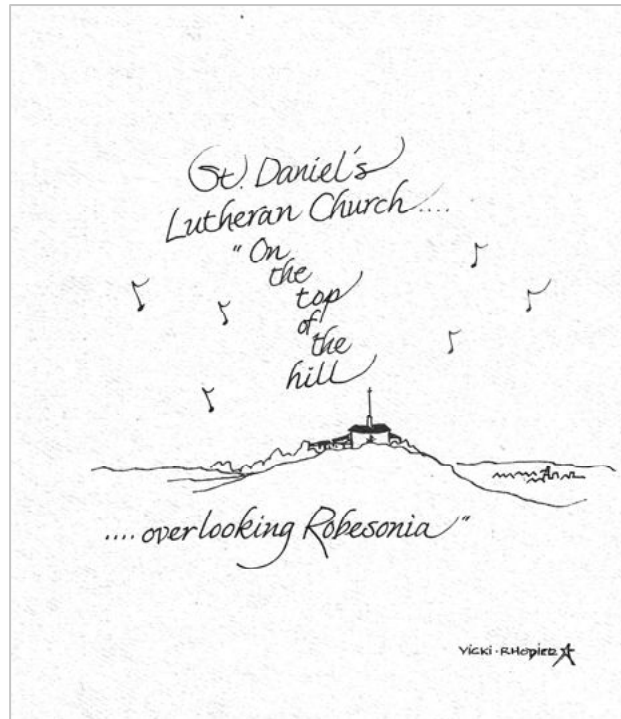
Currently hanging in the Library, this architect's drawing depicts the proposed Sunday School addition to the 2nd church; however, this rendition was not the final design.



Currently hanging in the Narthex, this architect's drawing shows the 3rd (current) church building, including the original sidewalk that led to Big Spring Road.



A drawing by Bonnie Thomas based on the architect's drawing of the 3rd (current) church building. This image was used for several publications including church newsletters.



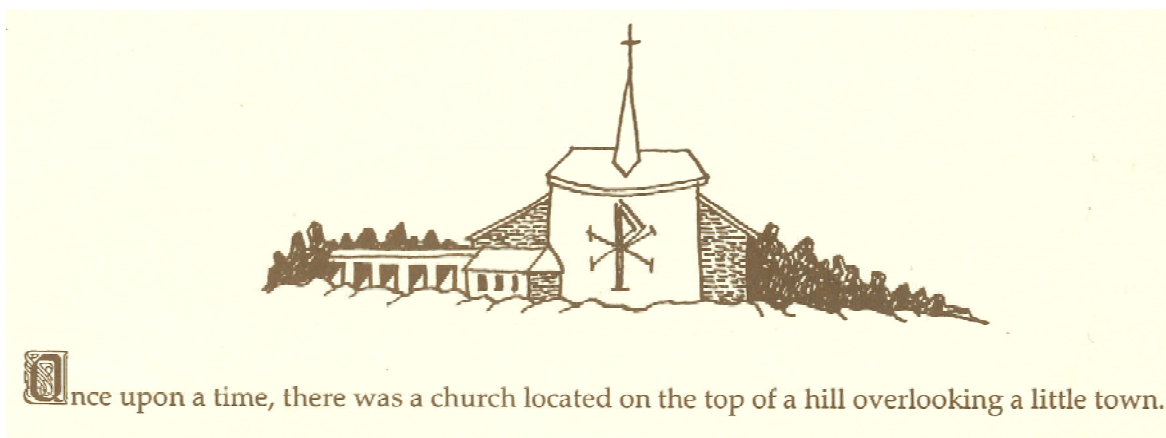
Drawing by Vicki Rhodier of the church "On the top of the hill overlooking Robesonia." This was featured on the back of the program for a 1996 musical tribute to Choir Director Richard Seidel.



Confirmation Certificate drawn by Vicki Rhodier, which would later be colored by Bonnie Thomas and finalized with names and date.



Drawn by Vicki Rhodier, the Open House invitation for the Lion's Den youth room initiated by Pastor Ron Weir.



Cover art and beginning of "Our Bear Tree" written by Pastor Ron Weir with illustrations by Vicki Rhodier, Christmas 1993.



1996 Hometowne Collectibles of the 2nd and the 3rd (current) church buildings, on display in the Narthex.



Commemorative plate for the 75th anniversary of the Sunday School in 1995, on display in the Narthex.



Currently hanging in the Library, this drawing depicts the 3rd (current) church building with an inset of the original 2nd church building before renovations. This was presented to St. Daniel's by Lutheran Brotherhood West Berks County Branch 8158 in honor of our 250th anniversary in 2001.



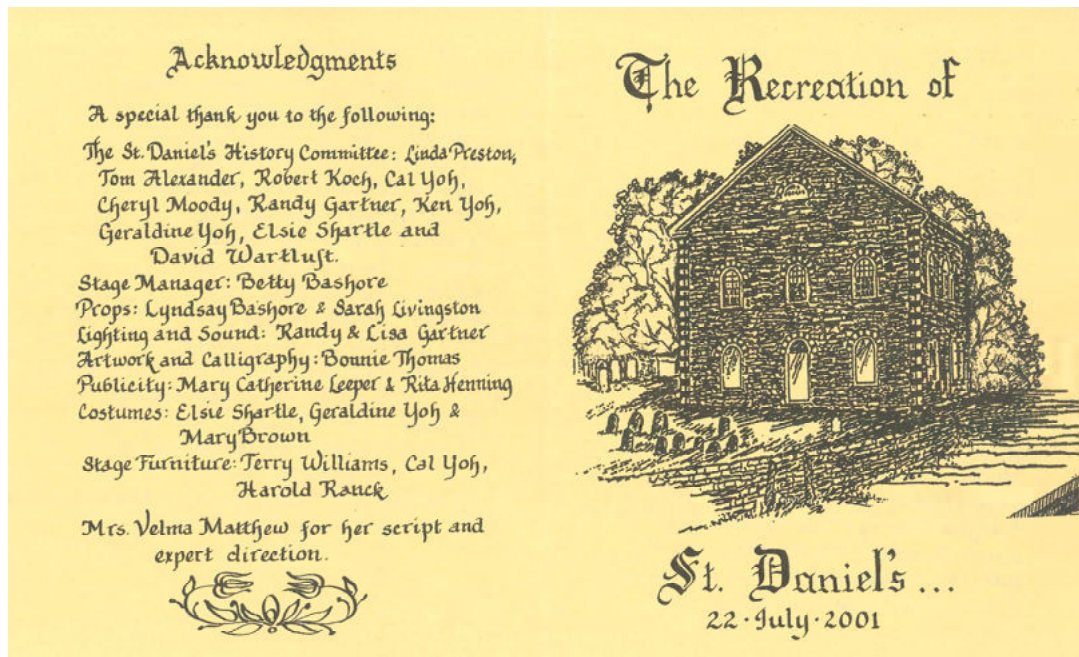
This logo was created by Tom Alexander for St. Daniel's 250th anniversary in 2001. It was used on all 250th anniversary materials, served as the St. Daniel's float design for Berks County's 250th anniversary parade, and was also the pattern for the souvenir pottery plate commissioned from Lester Breining.



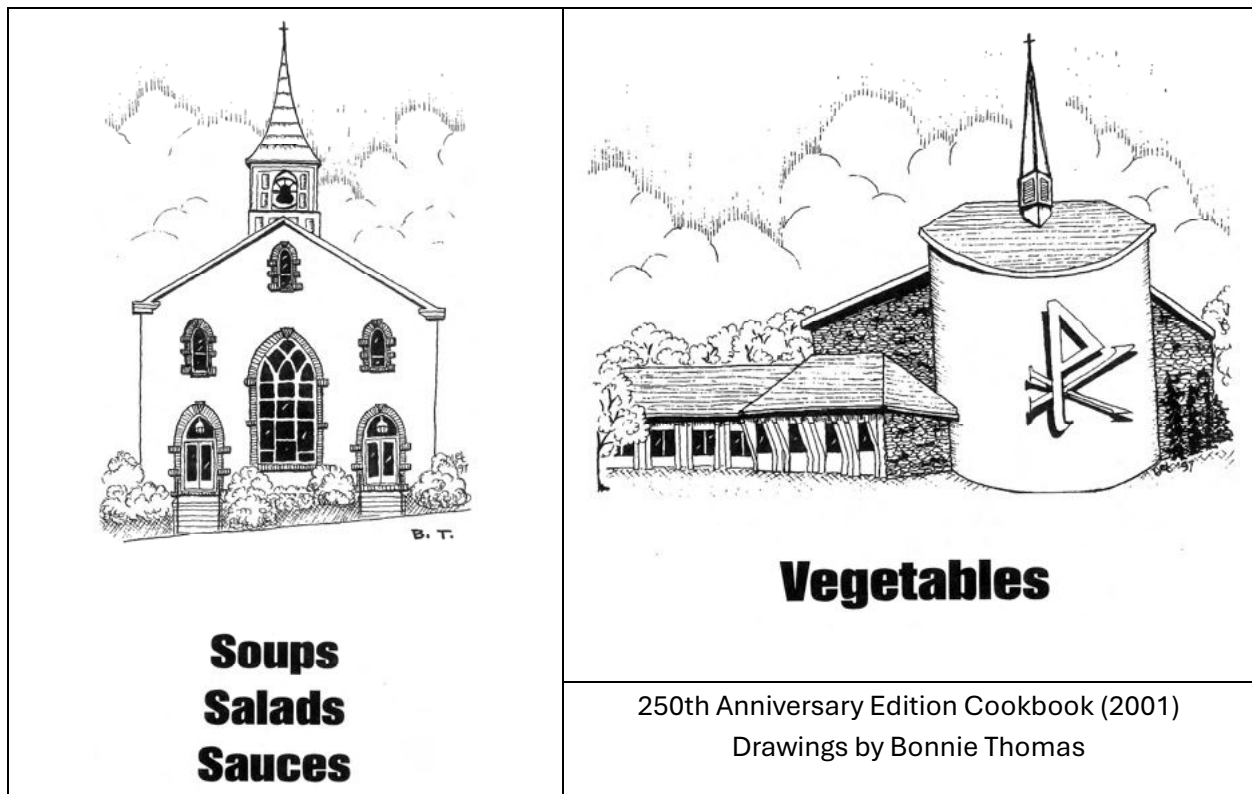
Professional banner created for the 250th anniversary based on a drawing by Vicki Rhodier.



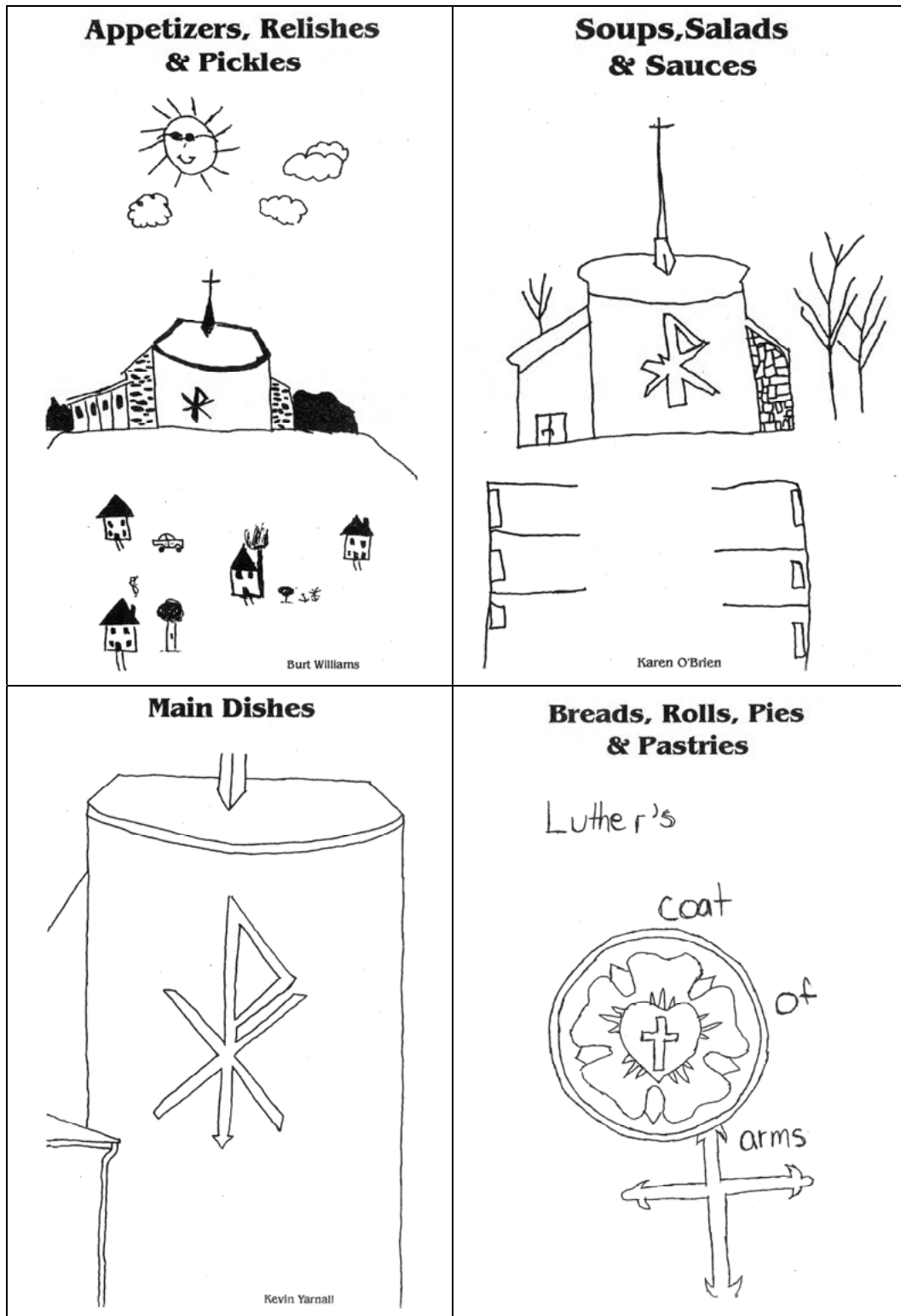
Logo designed by Bonnie Thomas of St. Daniel's steeple and Chi Rho.



Program cover (back and front) for “The Recreation of St. Daniel’s,” written and directed by Velma Matthew as part of the 250th celebration activities. Artwork and calligraphy by Bonnie Thomas. The church drawing was also featured on a chapter page in the 2001 250th Anniversary Edition cookbook.



“Heavenly Dishes” Cookbook (1994) sponsored by the Women of St. Daniel’s has drawings by children of the church on the chapter title pages.

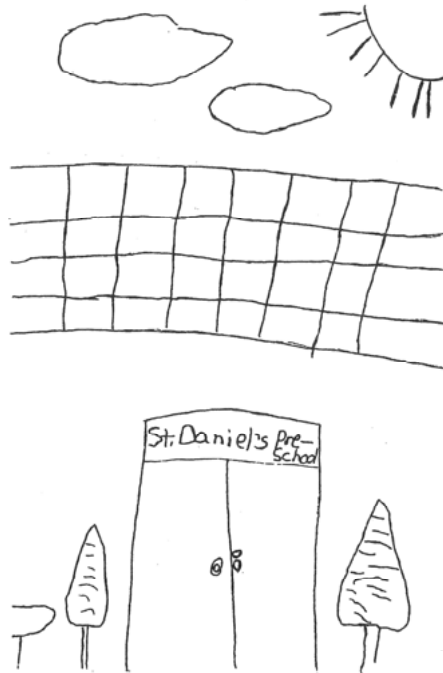


Cakes, Cookies & Confections



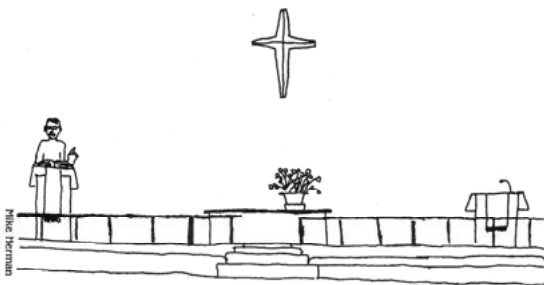
Colby Wertz

Desserts



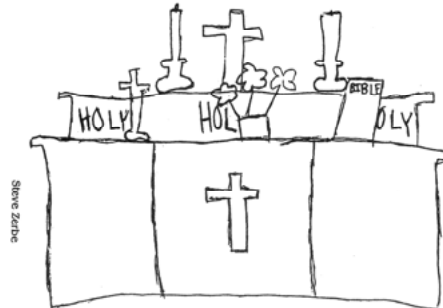
Lauren Farina

Meats, Poultry & Seafood



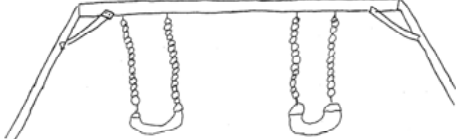
Mike Herman

Vegetables



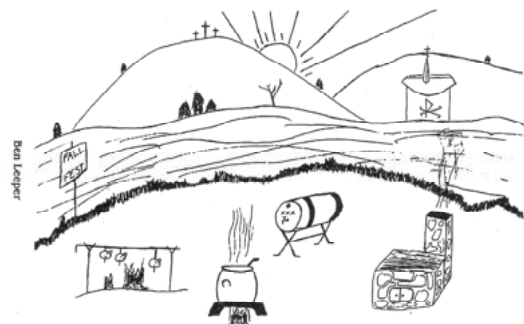
Steve Zarbe

Beverages, Sandwiches & Miscellaneous



Mark Boyer

Microwave Dishes



Ben Leeper