CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

The Church of the Nazarene first held services in a small store building on the corner of M-27 and Main Street in 1943 with Rev. Russell F. Dickinson as pastor. By December of that year the Mission had outgrown its quarters and moved into a larger store building, known as the "Old Gamble Store".

A small parsonage was purchased in 1945 and by 1951 a basement church was constructed on the corner of Third and Oak. By December of that year the superstructure was complete.

Rev. Roger Gray was the pastor of this Church when the Church on East Old M-32 was built in 1970.

There is no pastor at present.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY

The Christian Science Society began in 1945 with a small group gathered in a home at Arbutus Beach. As the group grew, a move was made to the Rockwell Room in 1949, Rockwell's was a restaurant located on Main Street where the bank lobby is now located, with a meeting room upstairs.

Bagley Township Hall was used for meetings from 1952 to 1970, when arrangements were made to meet in the Seventh Day Adventist building on Fifth Street.

Services are conducted by readers who are elected and serve for three years.

OTSEGO LAKE BAPTIST CHURCH

This Church began by meeting with Stanley Versnick in 1948. Three charter members still attend: Mr. and Mrs. William Brooks and Mrs. Jean Watkins Costello. As attendance increased, meetings were held in the VFW Hall. In 1950, a house at the South end of Otsego Lake was purchased and converted into a Church. Rev. Peter Porta became pastor in 1954, sharing his time with Calvary Baptist Church of Gaylord. A lot next door to the Church was purchased and a new Church built in 1960. Rev. Porta is still pastor.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Calvary Baptist Church was organized in 1949 under the leadership of Rev. Lewis Goslow, who served until 1955, during which time the first building was built in South Maple at Second, Gaylord.

Rev. Peter Porta ministered from 1955 to 1957, sharing his time with the Otsego Lake Baptist Church. In 1957 Rev. Malcolm Quick became pastor. A Sunday School addition was made during his pastorate.

Rev. Richard Halter became pastor in 1964 and increased attendance made it necessary to built a larger

facility on South Wisconsin. Work is continuing on this building.

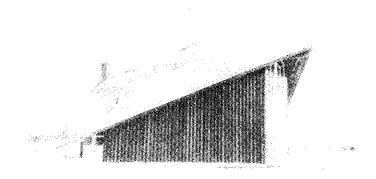
ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

This Mission had its beginning in 1949. Rev. George DeGraff of Cheboygan held services in the Rockwell Restaurant on Main Street, Gaylord, every other Sunday evening. Services were discontinued for a while, and reinstituted in 1952 with Cannon Warner Forsythe of East Tawas. Services were held in the homes of members. Rev. Charles Edinger, of Cheboygan, came once a month to serve Holy Communion. His first sermon was about Saint Andrew, hence the choice of a name for the Mission.

In 1953, the Trintity Lutheran Church allowed the Episcopalians to share their building and regular Sunday Services were begun. The first class for confirmation was presented in June of 1954.

In 1957, Rev. Colin Campbell, Jr. became the Missioner and a year later the site for the Church on the Corner of Hayes and M-32, East was purchased. The church was constructed in 1961.

Rev. Charles Hewitt ministers to the Church at present.



St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Gaylord

ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH

Located on North Ohio Street, Gaylord, since its inception in 1950, the Assembly of God was led by Rev. Daniel Kolenda for seven years.

Rev. Lawrence Gross was pastor when the parsonage was built next door in 1962. Office and education facilities were added in 1972, and in 1973 the sanctuary was remodeled.

Pastor Jerald Poehl has been pastor since 1972.