

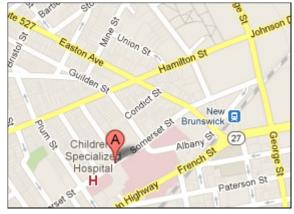
Magyar Ref Church New Brunswick NJ Reformed

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Pastor: Rev. Zsolt Ötvös Hungarian Church Services: Sun. 11:15 AM Hungarian Congregation: xxxxx

Church History

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In 1904 Rev. Joseph Kozma arrived from Hungary to succeed Rev. Kaciany in both congregations. From 1915 on, the two Hungarian Reformed congregations went their separate ways: one the Bayard Street Presbyterian Church affiliated with the Presbyterian Church U.S.A., and the other, the Magyar Reformed Church affiliated with the Reformed Church of Hungary, but soon with the Episcopal Church and finally with the Reformed Church in America.

On January 24, 1915, the congregation of the Magyar Reformed Church of New Brunswick, affiliated then with the Magyar Reformed Church of Hungary, held a congregational meeting with 236 persons present. Consistory members were elected and plans were made for the building of the new church. The property purchased for the church, it was situated on the highest point in the city. The new church building – the Magyar Reformed Church – was dedicated on March 26, 1916.

By the time if the Fifteenth Anniversary of the church in 1931, just six years after Rev. Kosa was elected as pastor, the membership had grown from forty to almost nine hundred. The Sunday school activities continued to progress, the Summer School was among the largest in the area, and there was both an Intermediate as well as a Senior Christian Endeavor. In 1944 the congregation made plans to renovate and rebuild the church sanctuary. In 1965 the Fiftieth Anniversary of the church and the Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of the pastor's ordination were celebrated. In 1979, new by-laws were adopted by the congregation following its preparation and recommendation by the consistory. In August 1984 renovations of the sanctuary were begun. October 27, 1990 it was a celebration of the Seventy-Fifth Anniversary of the Magyar Reformed Church of New Brunswick.

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