

St. Peder's Timeline

1884 St Peder's Danish Ev Luth Church organized; constitution adopted	1886 1 st church built @ 20 th Ave S & 9 th St; dedicated 1887	1888 Inner Mission (holy Danes) split off, Grundtvigians (happy Danes) remain	1903 Split over language led to Holy Trinity (HT switched to English)
1920 Church burned to ground; Christus, altar & candlesticks saved	1921 New church dedicated @ 3149-35 th Ave S	1926 J.C. Aaberg called, serves 20 years, translates Danish hymns to English	1930s Depression; English becomes dominant; by 1932, only 1 SS class In Danish
1934 50 th Anniversary	1942 First Codfish Dinner; many SP members serve in WWII	1946 Ottar Jorgensen called	1952 Danish Ev Luth Church (DELIC) becomes AELC; in 1954, SP drops Danish from name; merger with other Lutherans seems inevitable
1959 Property @ 4600 E 42 nd St purchased; monthly Danish services cease	1960 LCA (4 synods merge)	1961-2 Current church built; dedicated 4/1/62; Christus, pulpit & baptismal font moved	1963 Peter Thomsen called; Ottar Jorgensen is pastor emeritus; SP begins transition to neighborhood church

<p>1972 Dan Pearson called (first non-Dane), VN War refugee resettlement</p>	<p>1974 90th Anniversary; lounge tapestry of SP history dedicated</p>	<p>1979 Stained glass windows dedicated</p>	<p>1983 Mortgage burned</p>
<p>1984 100th Anniversary; Tabitta Kassen created; "Christ & St Peter" sculpture commissioned & dedicated</p>	<p>1988 LCA merges with ALC to form ELCA; Jorgensen & Grundtvig funds created; Ann Rabe called as 2nd pastor (PT) (and first woman)</p>	<p>1990 SP leads ELCA in adopting "All God's Children" communion policy</p>	<p>1994 Bob & Mary Albing called to share 1.5 position</p>
<p>1999 SP votes to become RIC congregation; mission statement adopted; Mary Albing resigns</p>	<p>2000 "Sovereign Son" dedicated; courtyard built; Linda Willette called as PT 2nd pastor</p>	<p>2005 Julie Ebbesen arrives as interim; called in 2006</p>	<p>2007-8 SP rents classrooms to MA; SP begins hosting TC Marathon</p>
<p>2009 125th Anniversary</p>	<p>2012 Celebration of Rita Juhl's 60th Anniversary as SP organist</p>	<p>2020-1 Pandemic; Julie Ebbesen retires</p>	