



Pastor installed at Ashland church

The Rev. Robert F. Hoenich has been installed as pastor of Christ's United Lutheran Church, Ashland. Participating in the service were, from left, Sister Janet Stump, deaconess at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Pine Grove, Pastor Hoenich, the Rev. David Strobel, bishop of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America, and the Rev. Gene Handwerk, associate to the bishop.

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Installation service Sunday

Christ's United Lutheran Church, Barry Township, will installing the Rev. Kenneth Gould as its pastor at 3 p.m. Sunday.

The Rev. David Strobel, bishop of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, will install the pastor. Confession of sins will be led by the Rev. Charles Mertz, Reading, a former pastor of the church. The Rev. Paul Bartlett, college and seminary classmate of Pastor Gould, will deliver the sermon.

Other participants include: Terry Schilling and Joann Young, vice-president and secretary, respectively of the church, and Kay Berner, chairperson of the pastoral call committee, who will present the candidate and certification of the call, and the following members of the call committee: Richard Fritz and John Denchak, serving as lectors, and Jack Hauser, Rebekah Peel and Margaretta Bolich, presenters of the symbols of the pastoral office.

Pastor Gould is a native of Hazleton and a graduate of Muhlenberg College and Philadelphia Lutheran Seminary. He has served two pastorates before being called to the church.

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LUTHERAN INSTALLATION — Rev. Robert Hughes, Rev. Donald Henderschedt and intern pastor David Strobel were installed during ceremonies Sunday night in Zion Lutheran Church, Frackville. The installation marked the culmination of a two-year experimental period in which five chapels of the Ashland area joined together for a more effective ministry. From left: Rev. Donald Henderschedt; Rev. James

Henderschedt, brother of Rev. Donald Henderschedt, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Trexlertown, who preached the sermon; Rev. Dr. Wilson E. Touchsant, president of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod, who conducted the installation; Rev. Robert G. Hughes; Grant Wickert, seminary intern assigned to the Ashland area congregation for the past year, who was liturgist; David Strobel, seminary intern.

New pastor for Lutherans

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The council of Christ's United Lutheran Church in the Ashland area announced today that a new pastor, Robert Hoenich, a theological student, will begin his duties on June 1 for a period of one year.

A native of Minersville, Pastor Hoenich is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hoenich Jr., of Minersville. He was educated in that community's schools and graduated from Minersville Area Joint High School in 1965. He later attended Pennsylvania State University's Schuylkill facilities and subsequently studied at the university's State College campus, graduating in 1969 with a Bachelor of Arts

degree, majoring in history. He has since been a student at Lutheran Theological Seminary in Philadelphia.

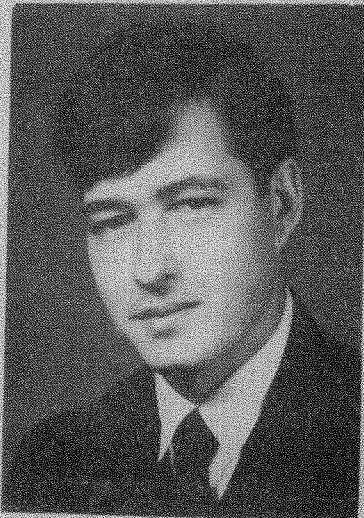
In September 1969 Pastor Hoenich was married to the former Nan Yorty, of Pine Grove. She is presently an elementary teacher in the Hatboro-Yorsham School District. For the past two years the couple has resided in Ambler. During their year's stay in this area they will reside in Gordon.

Christ's United Lutheran Church was founded in January, 1969, with the merger of five Lutheran congregations in northern Schuylkill County. All

five church buildings in Ashland, Girardville, Gordon, Lavelle and the Kimmels area are still used as chapels for worship and Christian education.

The congregation is the only Lutheran church in the United States with a single governing board and worshipping in five separate locations. The church membership totals 1,573 adults and children.

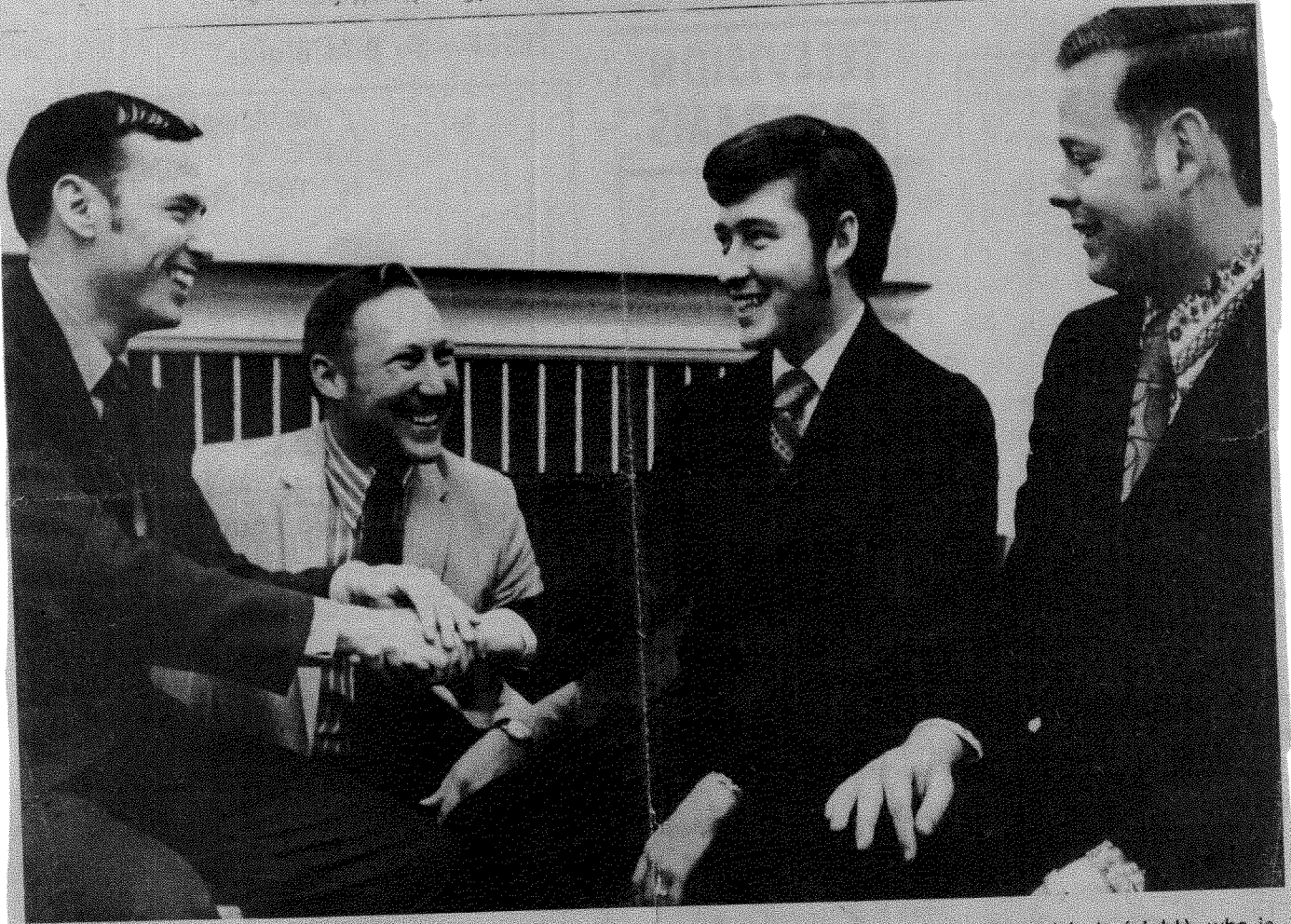
Pastors Robert G. Hughes and Donald Henderschedt serve the congregation on a full-time basis. Pastor Hoenich will return to Philadelphia to complete his seminary training following his 12-month stay at Christ's United.



Rev. Robert Hoenich

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GREET NEW PASTOR—Rev. Robert G. Hughes (L), who will soon depart from Christ's United Lutheran Church, Ashland, welcomes Pastor Robert Hoenich into the parish fold during a gathering of the area Lutheran congregations Tuesday night in Zion's Reformed United Church of Christ Fellowship Hall, Ashland. Also leaving

Christ's United will be Pastor Robert Lutz (right), who is returning to finish his schooling. Rev. Donald Henderscheidt (second from left), who has aided Pastor Hughes for several years, will assume charge of the five-chapel pastorate.