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Reader’s Note: Emmanuel United Methodist Church, located today at 925 Joseph Avenue, grew out of missionary work by Methodists among the thousands of mid-19th century German-speaking peoples who settled in Rochester. After the First German Methodist Episcopal Church was built on North Street, its congregation reached out to establish a second German Methodist Episcopal Society at the corner of Clifford Avenue and Loomis Street. In 1896, that group separated itself from first church and incorporated as Emmanuel German Methodist Episcopal Church. In the following year, they dedicated the present structure at the corner of Joseph Avenue and Farbridge Street. Following a time of change and struggle, the first church closed its doors and reunited with her daughter congregation in 1928. Sometimes labels in English on the covers of volumes or by titles in German on the inside do not always distinguish between and among the North Street (First German M.E.), Clifford Avenue (Second German M.E., later incorporated as Emmanuel German M.E.), and Joseph Avenue (Emmanuel M.E.) churches.

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