

Key Events in the History of LaSalle Street Church and Ministries

LaSalle Street Church

Ministries, Ministry Partners and Foundation

Breaking Bread, Bridging, Cabrini Green Legal Aid Clinic (CGLA), Cornerstone Academy, Cornerstone Children's Learning Center, Cornerstone Counseling Center of Chicago, CYCLE (Community Youth Creative Learning Experience), LaSalle Senior Center, LaSalle Young Life, The LaSalle Foundation

Swedish Lutherans construct Holy Trinity Lutheran Church (our sanctuary building)	1884	
Sanctuary building purchased by Pilgrim Holiness Church	1914	
Italian Mission of Moody Church purchases sanctuary building; services in Italian	1936	
Services in Italian, English & Japanese	1942	
Congregation changes name to Elm-LaSalle Bible Church	1946	
Services in English & Spanish	1950	
African Americans welcomed into church	1958	
Bill Leslie called as Senior Pastor	1961	
	1963	Homework tutoring program begins
Chicago-Orleans Housing formed; cell groups replace Wednesday Prayer Service	1969	LaSalle Senior Center begins with Sunday breakfasts
	1972	LaSalle Young Life begins, Joe White E.D.; Land purchased for new building
Official ties with Moody Church end, renamed LaSalle Street Church	1973	Cabrini-Green Legal Aid Clinic founded, Chuck Hogren E.D.; Near North Counseling Center begins, Earl Lehmann E.D.; Senior Center adds Wednesday program
	1974	Bev Barr Senior Center E.D.
	1975	Judie McAndrews Tutoring E.D., Dave Mack Young Life E.D.
Book <i>Church That Takes on Trouble</i> published	1976	
Second worship service added to Sunday am schedule; Atrium Village opens	1977	
	1978	Church plant among Cabrini-Green youth begins (Fellowship of Friends); Book <i>The Reluctant Defender</i> published; Greg Darneider Tutoring E.D.
Bruce Otto joins staff as SCUPE intern	1978	
Church office moves to Atrium Village	1979	Senior Center & Counseling move offices to Atrium Village
	1980	Tutoring program renamed CYCLE
	1981	Bridging founded, Angela Dicenzo E.D.; Janet Yancey Senior Center E.D.; Arlo Compaan Counseling E.D.
	1982	Harold Spooner Young Life E.D.
Initial capital campaign to raise \$3 million to build community center & renovate sanctuary	1983	Near North Counseling Center renamed Center for Life Skills
100th Anniversary of Sanctuary Celebrated	1984	
	1985	Plans begin for what becomes Maple Pointe; Donna Brayton Bridging E.D.
\$450,000 Sanctuary building rehabilitation completed	1987	The LaSalle Foundation founded; LSC Education Space Planning Committee (child care) forms; Joan Toner Bridging E.D.
Jonathan Hancock joins staff	1988	Hank Van Dyke Counseling E.D.
Bill Leslie becomes pastor emeritus; Annette Huizenga called	1989	Dave Frenchak Counseling Interim E.D.; Pamela Vanderlaan Bridging E.D.
	1990	Carl Lavender CYCLE E.D.; Alvin Bibbs Young Life E.D.
Art Nelson called as Senior Pastor	1991	Colleen Cox Bridging E.D.
	1993	Jonathan Hancock Senior Center E.D.
Jonathan Hancock resigns	1994	Bridging closed; Movie <i>Hoop Dreams</i> released
Art Nelson leaves; Interim pastors	1995	
John Hays called as Pastoral Team Leader	1996	Maple Pointe opens; Connie VanBrunt CYCLE E.D.; CYCLE Wiz Factory opens; Child care task force forms; Angela Reeves Young Life E.D.
	1997	David E. Neely CGLA E.D., CGLA renamed Chicago Center for Law & Justice

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	1998	Cornerstone Center opens; CYCLE, Senior Center, Young Life move to Cornerstone; Cornerstone Children's Learning Center and Cornerstone Catering begin; CGLA returns to original name, Mary Wilkening E.D.; Susan Reedy Children's Learning Center E.D.
Annette Huizenga resigns	1999	Paul Harris Counseling E.D.; Anne Nelson CGLA E.D.; Tammy Doig Childcare E.D.
Laura Truax becomes Assistant Pastor	2000	Jeanine Baker Childcare E.D.
Bruce Otto resigns; Charles Newman joins staff	2001	Bertie Kirchhofer Childcare E.D.
John Hays leaves; Laura Truax affirmed by deacons as LSC pastor	2002	Center for Life Skills renamed Cornerstone Counseling Center of Chicago; Keith Chase-Ziolek Senior Center E.D.
Everett Jackson joins Pastoral Staff	2003	Sale of interest in Maple Pointe and refinancing of Cornerstone Center; CYCLE becomes fully independent of LSC; Cornerstone Academy becomes LSC ministry partner; Breaking Bread opens
Laura Truax called as Senior Pastor; Everett Jackson completes his assignment; congregation approves new Governance Structure	2004	Susy Francis-Thornton Counseling E.D.; Rob Acton CGLA E.D.
Gary Rand named Associate Pastor	2005	