

# 100 Years of Grace

## Grace Lutheran Church – Sixth Decade



Church Christmas decorations circa 1970 in the previous church building located downtown Vero Beach. Note: Native Sand pine greenery with real candles. Eventually open flamed candles were outlawed by the Fire Marshall. In early spring 1972, after several years of prayer and deliberation, Grace Lutheran left the Missouri Synod and joined the Federation for Authentic Lutheranism (FAL). In April 1975, the FAL Synod disbanded and Grace congregation considered other conservative Lutheran synods. At the June convention 1976, Grace was officially accepted into the Evangelical Lutheran Synod (E.L.S.) which is in fellowship with the Wisconsin Synod.



From the 1930's through the 1970's, Easter picnics were held at the grove & homestead of Henry Prange. Grace's church bulletin from Easter 1973 indicated 319 in attendance for the two morning services.