Sunday school celebrates 100 years

Sunday, March 28, the Community of Christ Church on Flint Street in Lake Orion held a special heritage day to celebrate the 100th anniversary of their Sunday school program.

Julia Hammond began Sunday school class in her parents' home on Oak Street (known today as Jackson Street) in 1910

for five pupils.

Two years later, the congregation rented the hall at the corner of Broadway and Shadbolt Street where they held Sunday school classes on the second level.

The success of the program allowed

the church to grow.

Within five years, the average attendance for classes was 18, and weekly collections averaged 90 cents.

Sunday school began a full two years before the first worship service and six years before the congregation was formally



organized in 1916.

This year, fifty-six members and friends from all over the state attended the special service. A prelude to the worship included singing heritage hymns and watching homemade video featuring photographs from the congrecation's 100-year history. Guest Minister Apostle Stassi Cramm, from Independence, MO, preached the sermon.

Numerous displays showcased this history of the church, and were enjoyed by guests along with cake and coffee.