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February 4, 1852

[Holland, Michigan]

An indenture between Albertus C. Van Raalte and Christian Johanna, his wife, and the consistory of the First Reformed Dutch Church of Holland. The Van Raaltes receive one dollar for the lots one, two, fifteen and sixteen in block 41 from the congregation for the site on which they plan to build a church.

The indenture was witnessed by Anna F. Post and H[enry] De. Post. As Justice of the Peace, Post also handled the transaction. The consistory members who signed were elders: H. Broek, J. A. Verhorst, Jeltje Broersma, Gerrit Jan Hekhuis, J. Labots, J. A. Wilterdink, and W. V. Appeldoorn. The deacons were: A. De Weerd, G. W. Wilterdink, A. Plugger, and P. VandenBerg.

The indenture was recorded on February 7. Wm. N. Angel, Register.

In translation and typescript.

The original is in the papers and records of the Pillar Christian Reformed Church which have recently been placed in the Joint Archives of Holland. [date this is written: December 5, 1997]

A. C. Van Raalte and Wife
to
The consistory of the First
Dutch Reformed Church of
Holland.

) Received for record February 7th.
) 1852 at 9 o'clock A. M.
) Wm. N. Angel.
) Register.

This indenture made the fourth day of February, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred fifty two, between Albertus C. Van Raalte, and Christina Johanna, his wife, (trustees & C.) of the Township of Holland, in the County of Ottawa and State of Michigan of the first part, and the consistory of the First Reformed Dutch Church of Holland, Ottawa County, Michigan party of the second part; witnesseth, that the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of one dollar to them in hand paid by the said party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby confessed and acknowledged, have granted, bargained, sold, remised, released, aliened and confirmed and by these presents, do grant, bargain, sell, remise, release, alien and confirm unto the said party of the second part, and to their successors and assigns forever, all these certain tracts of parcels of land situated in the Village of Holland, Ottawa County, and State of Michigan, and described as follows, viz: Lots numbered one, two, fifteen and sixteen, in block numbered forty one, in the Village of Holland, according to the recorded map of the same; for the sole and only use and purpose of building a church or churches thereon, or other buildings connected with and for the convenience of public worship. Together with all and singular the hereditaments and appurtenance thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining; and the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents, issues, and profits thereof and all the estate, right, title, interest, claim or demand, whatsoever, of the said party of the first part, either in law or equity of, in, and to the above bargained premises with the said hereditaments and appurtenances. To have, and to hold the premises as above described with the appurtenances unto the said party of the second part, and to their successors and assigns forever; provided always, and these presents are upon this express condition, to wit: if the said party of the

second part, their successors or assigns, or any other person or persons, with their knowledge or consent, shall convert the said premises to any other use of purpose, than the uses and purposes before stated, then the said premises above described, with the appurtenances, shall revert to and become vested in the said party of the first part, his heirs and assigns. And the said Albertus C. Van Raalte, for himself and for his heirs, executors and administrators, does covenant, grant, bargain, and agree to, and with the said parties of the second part, their successors and assigns, that at the time of the ensembling and delivery of these presents, he is well seized of the premises above conveyed as of a good, sure, perfect absolute and indefeasible estate of inheritance in the law, in fee simple; that they are free and clear from all encumbrances, and that the above bargained premises, in the quiet and peaceable possession of the said party of the second part, their successors and assigns, subject to the conditions above named, against all and every person or persons, lawfully claiming or to claim the whole or any part thereof, he will forever warrant and defend.

In witness whereof the said party of the first part, have hereunto set their hands and seals, the day and year first above written. All the above interlinations were made before signing.

Signed, sealed, and delivered

in presence of

Anna R. Post.

H. D. Post.

A. V. Van Raalte, (SEAL)

C. J. Van Raalte. (SEAL)

STATE OF MICHIGAN,)
) ss.
 County of Ottawa,)

On this fourth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred fifty two, before me, a Justice of the Peace in and for the County aforesaid, personally came, Albertus C. Van Raalte, to me known to be the person who executed the above instrument, and acknowledged the same to be his free act and deed. And Christina Johanna, his wife being examined by me separately and apart from her husband, acknowledged, that she executed the same freely and under no fear or compulsion from any one.

HENRY D. POST. Justice of the Peace.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 23 of Chapter 52 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Michigan, of 1842, We the minister, elders and deacons of the First Dutch Reformed Church of Holland, do certify, to all whom it may concern, that according to the rules and usages of our church, we, and our successors in office, shall be a body corporate, forever, under the provisions of that chapter, under the name of The Consistory of The First Dutch Reformed Church of Holland.

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals this 25th. day of August, 1849.

Signed in presence of)	A. C. Van Raalte, v.D.M.	(SEAL)
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A C Van Rassel
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