

J.B. DIDINGER & CO. (1897); presumably dedicated with the building, Sunday, June 6, 1897

St. Paul's Lutheran Church (Rev. O.F. Waage, Pastor)
Pennsburg, Pennsylvania

[Excerpt from:] "Pennsburg," *The Allentown (Pa.) Daily Leader* 8, no. 47 (Thursday, May 6, 1897): 2; hereafter *ADL*.

PENNSBURG.
Mr. Dittinger, of Philadelphia, brought the new pipe organ yesterday, which is to be placed in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, known as "The Six-Cornered Church." The old church was destroyed by fire about 16 months ago. They expect to have the new building ready for dedication by Whit-Sunday.

[Excerpt from:] "Pennsburg," *ADL* 8, no. 52 (Wednesday, May 12, 1897): 2.

The pipe organ in St. Paul's Lutheran Church is ready for tuning. Mr. Dittinger, builder of the organ, will bring several musicians from Philadelphia on Ascension Day, who will give an organ recital in the church. An admission fee of 25 cents will be charged.

[Excerpt from:] "Pennsburg," *ADL* 8, no. 76 (Wednesday, June 9, 1897): 3.

The new St. Paul's Lutheran Church, which is the finest church building in this section of the country, was dedicated on Sunday and Monday. The exercises were very good. Rev. O. F. Waage, the pastor, tried to procure good speakers. The new building is built of fine stones. It is 65 feet square, and has a cupola 16 feet square in the southwest corner, which is 105 feet high. The first floor consists of the main Sunday School room and Bible class and committee rooms. A fine stairway leads to the second floor. It consists of the main hall, with seating capacity for about 1000, a fine balcony, pulpit and choir and organ platform. The pulpit is found in the northeast corner. The pulpit furniture is very fine. It is of a yellowish color. At the back of the pulpit may be seen the following motto: "Wer an Mich glaubet, wird das Ewige Leben haben." To the left of the pulpit is the big pipe organ, which was built by Dittinger & Co., of Philadelphia, for \$2150. It has a metallic ceiling from which are suspended two handsome chandeliers. The building is heated throughout by steam. It is estimated that the building will cost about \$23,000. The old building, which was destroyed by fire, December 1, 1895, was insured for \$10,000.