Fletcher's Chapel United Methodist Church

2034 Fletcher's Chapel Road Durham, North Carolina

Rev. J.C. Shore, Pastor

DEDICATION DAY SERVICES

APRIL 19 AND 20, 1975

SATURDAY - APRIL 19, 1975 - 7:00 P.M. PRELUDE Sandra Fletcher CONGREGATIONAL SINGING Song Leader, John Bass SPECIAL MUSIC Steve Chandler SPECIAL MUSIC Youth Choir Sandra Fletcher, Pianist SPEAKER Bob Weatherly Minister of Evangeliam - Youth,

SPECIAL MUSIC Arthur McClanahan and Diane Wilson

HYMN

INVITATION TO FELLOWSHIP HALL J. C. Shore

BENEDICTION

REFRESHMENTS AND FELLOWSHIP

Fellowship Hall

Wallace Dryden

Cresset Baptist Church

SUNDAY - APRIL 20, 1975 - 9:45 A.M. CHURCH SCHOOL

OPENING EXERCISE John George

CHURCH SCHOOL Classes from infants to Senior Citizens SUNDAY - ELEVEN O'CLOCK - APRIL 20, 1975

PRELUDE

Mrs. Mary F. Morgan

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Choir

Minister:	Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.	
People:	Except the Lord build the house, they	
	labor in vain that build it.	
Minister:	Establish thou the work of our hands	
	upon us; yea, the work of our hands establish thou it.	
People:	Blessed be the name of the Lord from	
	this time forth, and for evermore. Amen.	

INVOCATION

Rev. Jack Shore

Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, whose lovingkindness never faileth, who rulest both in heaven and in earth, keeping mercy for thy people who walk before the presence of thy glory; graciously vouchsafe thy presence as we dedicate this building to thy service; mercifully illumine and brighten it with thine own glory, and pour down thy blessing upon it; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC "The Lord's Prayer"

Steve Chandler

WORDS OF WELCOME

Rev. Jack Shore

REMARKS FROM FORMER PASTORS

HYMN No. 297 "The Church's One Foundation"

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THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

Hear, O Israel: the LORD our God is one LORD: and thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: and thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes. And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates.

The heart of him that hath understanding seeketh knowledge.

In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand.

It is written in the prophets, And they shall be all taught of God. Every man therefore that hath heard, and hath learned of the Father, cometh unto me.

Who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ. That we may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ. Master, we know that thou art true, and teachest the way of God in truth.

And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient, in meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth.

Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, ... teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. THE GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS (Doxology)

ANTHEM

The Choir

THE SERMON

Rev. H. Langill Watson

SPECIAL MUSIC "Bless This House" Steve Chandler

ACT OF PRESENTATION

Mrs. Nancy Wagoner

Mrs. Wagoner:

We present unto you this building to be dedicated to the glory of Almighty God and to the purposes of worship, fellowship, study, and service.

ACT OF DEDICATION

Rev. H. Langill Watson

Rev. Watson:

Dearly beloved, it is right and proper that buildings erected for such service in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ should be formally and devoutly set apart for their special uses. For such a dedication we are now assembled. And, as the dedication of this building is vain without the solemn consecration of those whose gifts and labors it represents. let us now give ourselves anew to the service of God: our souls, that they may be renewed after the image of Christ; our bodies, that they may be fit temples for the indwelling of the Holy Spirit: and our labors and business, that they may be according to God's holy will, and that their fruit may tend to the glory of his name and the advancement of his Kingdom.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, we dedicate this building to the worship of God.

People:

God is a spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.

Rev. Watson:

We dedicate this building to the purpose of Christian education: to the work of the church school, to the study of the Scriptures, and to the development of Christian character.

People:

Whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning. Blessed are they that hear the word of God, and keep it.

Rev. Watson:

We dedicate this building to the broadening of mental horizons and the deepening of knowledge, that young and old may be awakened and informed.

People:

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

Rev. Watson:

We dedicate this building to Christian fellowship and to recreation of mind and body.

People:

Thou wilt show me the path of life; in thy presence is fullness of joy; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore.

Rev. Watson:

We dedicate this building to those tasks and aims in which the Christian serves his place and time: to the cause of missions, of Christian citizenship, and the broad field of social relations.

People:

The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.

Minister and People:

We dedicate ourselves anew to that service of our fellow men wherein can best be performed our true service of God, in obedience to the spirit of the Master when he said: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and thy neighbor as thyself.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Dr. C. D. Barclift

Let us pray.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, whose eyes are ever toward the righteous, and whose ears are ever open unto their cry; graciously accept, we pray thee, this building which we now dedicate to thee, to thy service, and to thy glory, that in it love and wisdom may unite to bring joy and strength to those who gather here; and we beseech thee, receive us thy servants who here dedicate ourselves anew to thee and to those offices of fellowship and good will in which thou art well pleased. Grant that those who come here may be cheered and guickened in mind and body, and that they may be stirred in spirit to serve thee wisely and steadfastly; and the praise shall be thine forever; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessed Lord, who hast caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning; grant that we may in such wise hear them, read : mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience, and comfort of thy holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which thou hast given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

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O God, by whom the meek are guided in judgment, and light riseth up in darkness for the godly; grant us, in all doubts and uncertainties, the grace to ask what thou wouldest have us to do, that the spirit of wisdom may save us from all false choices, and that in thy light we may see light, and in thy straight path may not stumble; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN No. 205 "All the Way My Saviour Leads Me"

BENEDICTION

Arthur McClanahan

POSTLUDE :

Mrs. Mary F. Morgan

Everyone is invited to stay for lunch and fellowship in the Fellowship Hall.

Offertory Ushers: A. T. Weatherly, Sr.,

J. P. Harbison Graham Hester W. O. Glover

Ushers:	Tom McFarland	Sam Vaughan, Jr.
	Jim McFarland	Lewis Fletcher
	Dick Larrabee	Jim Carpenter
	Phillip Edwards	Wade Parrish

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A HISTORY OF FLETCHER'S CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

DURHAM COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA, 1825-1975

Fletcher's Chapel Church was begun in 1825 at the site of its present location on the Fletcher's Chapel Road between the Wake Forest Highway and the Fish Dam Road. This section was a thriving community center for its day. At this location in 1825, there was a general store which did a thriving business in whiskey. There was also a blacksmith shop and a two-room log house with a chimney between the two rooms. This community center was located on the main road from Raleigh to Roxboro at the point where wagon trails crossed. It was then a part of Wake County.

There is no authentic record for the establishing of Fletcher's Chapel in 1825; however, the story is that in the year 1825 a camp meeting was held in this community center very near the site of the present church building on the corner of land owned by Wiley Fletcher. As a result of this camp meeting, plans were made for the organization of a church, although the church building was not constructed until 1837. It is of interest to note that legend tells us that a devout Christian woman, Mrs. Martha Halliburton Shaw, was instrumental in bringing about the organization of a church at this location. Church records show that in 1837 Wiley Fletcher gave a deed for this land (1 2/5 acres) to the following trustees: Perrymon G. Richmond, Wiley Fletcher, Abner Peass, Willis Roberts, and John Barby. Many of these names are not known in the community now and others are spelled differently. The first church building was constructed on this property in 1837, and it was called Fletcher's Chapel Church because Mr. Wiley Fletcher gave the land (1 2/5 acres). This building - a small, one-room frame structure - is now used as a feed barn on the John Wesley Barbee home place situated near the Fish Dam Road. Prior to 1872 there are no available records, but it is said that in the early years of this church there were lay preachers.

Apparently the church membership grew, as indicated by the fact that in 1879 the congregation built its second church on the site of the present, or fourth, church. This second one-room building was approximately 30 feet wide by 60 feet long. There were two doors opening from the front, with an aisle leading to the front from each door. There were three rows of pews - one row against each side wall and a row in the center with a line of posts down the center and a rail which separated the men from the women. To the right of the pulpit was a side door which the older women and small children used. To the right of the pulpit was the women's "amen corner", and on the left was the men's "amen corner". This building was lighted with candles and was heated with two wood burning stoves. The interior and exterior were painted white and trimmed in barn red. The pews and altar furniture were of pine, finished in a reddish mahogany color. Some of these pews are being used in the present church in the Sunday School rooms. Others may be found on the porches and lawns of homes in the community. In 1900 the congregation became more modern minded and the posts and railing dividing the men and women were taken out. Oil burning lamps were now used to light the church. The second building was sold to Mr. A. M. Carpenter who used it in the construction of the house of Mrs. J. E. Freeman.

Before 1910 there were 8 churches and one mission station on Durham Circuit. Fletcher's Chapel was one of these 8 churches. The pastor traveled either on horseback or by horse and buggy, coming into the community on Friday afternoon and staying until Monday. Services were held on Saturday afternoon and first Sunday morning. In 1910 the circuit was divided with Bethany, McMannen's Chapel, Pleasant Green, and Fletcher's Chapel being made one charge. These four churches remained together as a charge until 1944 at which time Bethany became a station church, thus leaving McMannen's Chapel, Pleasant Green, and Fletcher's Chapel as Durham Circuit. In 1944 Durham Circuit began having Duke Divinity School students as pastors. In 1948

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McMannen's Chapel and Pleasant Green became a two point charge while Fletcher's Chapel and Andrew's Chapel became a two point student-pastor charge. In 1950 Soapstone Church was added to the Andrew's-Fletcher's charge. In 1952 Fletcher's Chapel was given a full time student pastor.

In 1920 under the leadership of Rev. J. C. Humble (pastor on Durham Circuit 1918-1922) the congregation began a third church building which was located about 25 or 30 feet to the right of the present structure. This building was erected at a cost of approximately \$8,000.00 in cash; however, its cost was much more than this. Labor and materials amounting to several thousands of dollars were given by loyal church members and interested friends. Mr. J. D. Fletcher (better known as Uncle Jim Fletcher) was an inspiration to the approximately 100 members in the building of this the third church. He gave unceasingly of himself, his time and money. Others who are particularly remembered for their part in this undertaking were: Mrs. J. W. Barbee (Miss Lou), Mr. A. M. Carpenter. Mr. James W. Patterson. Mr. W. W. Fletcher (Willie Wilson). Mrs. S. M. Suitt (Miss Minnie), Dr. R. E. Nichols, Sr., Mr. D. W. Fletcher, Sr., Mrs. Sarah M. Chandler. Mr. J. T. Hicks, Mr. L. S. Copley and many others. We were especially proud of the pipe organ in our third church. Prior to this the church had a reed organ and a piano. The pipe organ was installed by J. Vernon Suitt as a memoriam to John E. Freeman. This third building was dedicated in the fall of 1922 by Bishop Collins Denny. In 1923 District Conference was held here. The third building was used until September, 1951. Our annual homecoming in September 1951 was held in the fourth and present church building. The third building was sold to Robert Chandler for \$500.00. In the fall of 1951 Robert Chandler removed this third building from the church property and used the materials in the construction of several houses on the Fletcher's Chapel Road near the Ruritan Club house.

It was evident by 1947 that the third building could not be used much longer without major remodeling. R. H. Sales, who came to the charge in 1945 and served through 1947, started the movement to erect a new building. Much discussion took place but nothing definite was decided upon, because the congregation could not agree on whether to remodel and add to the old church or to build a new one. This state of indecision prevailed through the conference year 1949. In 1949 Mr. Forrest G. Nees became student pastor of the Andrew's-Fletcher's Charge which was composed of Andrew's Chapel and Fletcher's Chapel Churches. During 1949 definite plans were made to remodel and add classrooms to the old church. Plans were drawn and bids accepted for this work. Still the work did not go forward. Early in 1950 Bramham Glenn voiced the desire of the majority of the members when he said, "Why don't we build a new church?" It was decided that we would do just that. The site selected for the location of this the fourth building was the same as that of the second building. This location was very accurate because "Mrs. Lou" Barbee had outlined the foundation of this second building by planting jonguil bulbs which were still growing as the excavation was begun on the basement of the present church. This church, however, is several feet wider and about 14 feet longer than the second one. Under the very capable leadership and Christian guidance of the pastor, Forrest G. Nees, (1949-1953) work was begun on the fourth and present church building in the early spring of 1950. The plans were drawn by Mr. H. N. Haines, an architect of Durham, N. C. The estimated cost of this building was \$30,000.00 in cash exclusive of donated labor and materials.

It was decided that the congregation would try to pay for the work as it was done and to do what work they could themselves; therefore, no contractor was employed. A building committee was selected with Mr. A. T. Weatherly as chairman. Mr. Weatherly also acted as building superintendent. A finance committee was selected with Robert Chandler as chairman. Other committees were chosen as the need arose. Each committee did a splendid job with the cooperation and support of not only the church members but also interested friends and neighbor churches. We owe a special debt of gratitude to our friends and fellow Christians of Olive Branch Baptist Church who have so freely given to this undertaking. There are no individuals who stand out as having contributed large sums to this building fund. This is as it should be. The building of this fourth church was truly a cooperative work with everyone, from the youngest to the oldest, contributing his services and his gifts. Even the women contributed their bit by raising an acre of tobacco and making brunswick stew! Mr. S. H. Chandler, along with many, many others, was especially an inspiration to all of us. Whenever there was manual labor to do, "Uncle Stephen"although in his 70's - was always the first there with his pick and shovel or whatever tool was needed. Mr. Nees, our pastor, gained quite a reputation during this building program for his ability to think up methods by which we could raise money. He even gained the name of "Silver Dollar Nees" because he gave out 100 or more silver dollars to children and adults as talents money. This brought in something over \$1,200.00. Last but by no means least, we cannot overlook the generous \$1,000.00 from the Board of Missions and Church Extension. With prayer, sacrifice, service, and gifts by many, our present building was completed and free of debt by June 7, 1953 - Dedication Day.

In 1953 the long range building program of Fletcher's Chapel Church included a parsonage and educational building adjacent to the sanctuary.

The parsonage was built on the corner lot of Fletcher's Chapel Road and Suitt Street. This lot was purchased from J. D. Gooch who inherited this land from his wife, Annie Haynes Suitt Gooch. Under the leadership of Rev. O. H. Ripley (pastor 1957-1960) and Ben Walton, the parsonage was completed and furnished by gifts from individuals, Church school classes, and circles of the W.S.C.S. In 1958 the Ripley family moved into the parsonage.

Rev. A. M. Williams followed O. H. Ripley as our pastor. He was very interested in helping us realize our dream of an educational building. In fact, he was so interested that he stayed with us for five years (1960-1965). We are so grateful for his guidance and help in this project which was begun in 1964. We owe a special debt of gratitude to Mr. W. O. Glover who not only was the overseer of the construction of the educational building but also worked faithfully until it was completed. We are most grateful to Cornelius Fletcher for his good work as financial treasurer during our "building programs" as well as his long, faithful, and excellent service as official church treasurer.

By March, 1975, we had finished paying for the educational building. This year of 1975 also marked the 150th anniversary of Fletcher's Chapel Church; so the church members decided that it would be appropriate to celebrate our 150th anniversary and the dedication of the educational building on April 19-20, 1975. We feel especially fortunate that we were able to get Bob Weatherly, a former member of Fletcher's Chapel and now Minister of Evangelism - Youth of Cresset Baptist Church, to deliver the sermon on Saturday night, April 19, 1975.

Over the past 150 years Fletcher's Chapel has been served by over 50 pastors. We are justly proud of what has been done by this church in this community over the past 150 years; yet we as Christian Church members must realize our responsibility to God and mankind and, by our example, go forward in the work of winning souls to Christ. It seems appropriate that this history of Fletcher's Chapel Church close with a few lines from a poem, The Old Country Church, by Myrtle Fisher Seaverns.

> God must love the old country church With its quiet peaceful air; Symbol of sturdy devotion To God for his love and care.

Her walls still echo songs they sang Voices filled with fervent praise, Of those who brought their gifts of love In those far-off bygone days.

We still feel their benediction Of those sturdy souls and true Who raised their temple of God's love Building better than they knew. The following is a list of pastors serving this church. No records are available from 1825-1872.

1872-1875 J. J. Renn 1875-1876 William H. Moore 1876-1877 W. H. Call 1877-1880 F. H. Wood 1880-1881 J. A. Cunningham 1881-1885 J. T. Lyon 1885-1887 W. S. Davis 1887-1889 J. B. Martin 1889-1890 Oliver Ryder 1890-1892 Jonathan Sanford 1892-1894 J. W. Jenkins 1894-1895 C. W. Robinson J. W. Jenkins 1895-1896 S. J. Moyle 1896-1897 W. J. Twilley 1897-1901 J. H. McCracken 1901-1905 J. B. Thompson 1905-1909 G. W. Fisher 1909-1910 J. B. Thompson 1910-1914 W. P. Constable 1914-1916 W. C. Martin 1916-1918 H. C. Smith 1918-1922 J. C. Humble 1922-1926 W. F. Craven 1926-1929 H. L. Hendricks

1929-1931 B. E. Stanfield 1931-1935 B. H. Black 1935-1938 C. D. Barclift 1938-1940 F. B. Peele 1940-1944 S. J. Starnes 1944-1945 D. G. Smiley I. G. Dunlap Arthur Cooley 1945-1946 D. G. Smiley R. H. Sales Frank Meachum 1946-1947 R. H. Sales 1947-1948 A. B. Pearce, Jr. 1948-1949 M. M. Meredith 1949-1952 Forrest G. Nees 1952-1953 Forrest G. Nees Eben Taylor 1953-1954 Frank Wier 1954-1956 W. W. Clarke, Jr. 1956-1957 Shelton H. Wolfe 1957-1960 O. H. Ripley, Jr. 1960-1965 A. M. Williams 1965-1967 F. J. Duplissey 1967-1971 H. L. McLaurin 1971-J. C. Shore

MEMORIAL GIFTS

MOVED FROM THIRD CHURCH

WINDOWS IN CHURCH (9) in memory of Mr. Drury A. Chandler, Mrs. Sarah M. Chandler, Mrs. Margaret Nichols, Mr. Wiley Fletcher, Mr. J. D. Fletcher, Mrs. Mollie N. Fletcher, and Mr. John Wesley Barbee.

ORGAN in memory of Mr. John E. Freeman

This organ, which is now in Fletcher's Chapel Methodist Church, was first purchased in 1888 by the First Presbyterian Church of Winston-Salem, N. C. from the Hook and Hastings Organ Company. When that church was remodeled some years later, the organ was purchased by Gilmore Ward Bryant and brought to the Southern Conservatory of Music then situated on the corner of Duke and Main Streets, in Durham, N. C. Many prominent organists of North Carolina received their training on this organ.

The Southern Conservatory discontinued the teaching of organ and stored this organ until purchased by a church in Rocky Mount, which could not pay for it after having it shipped there. It was returned to the Southern Conservatory.

In 1929 it was sold to Vernon Suitt who installed it in his home. In 1930 this organ was installed in the third building of Fletcher's Chapel in memory of John E. Freeman, who was drowned while fishing during the Easter holidays of 1930. Mrs. S. M. Suitt, Mrs. A. M. Carpenter, and Jesse Carpenter gave this organ as a memorial to John E. Freeman. With Wesley Carpenter assisting Vernon Suitt, the restoration and erection of the organ was completed by July, 1930 and was dedicated the first Sunday in July.

When the organ was relocated in Fletcher's Chapel, electricity was not available; so a two horsepower gasoline engine was belted to the blower. The engine provided the power for the organ through the first part of the service, and Wesley Carpenter pumped by hand for the last hymn. The organ appears today essentially the same as it did when it was first erected in 1888. The action is the tracker type which is not widely used today. The organ itself has 478 pipes.

There have been five regular organists: Vernon Suitt, Mrs. Thera Calhoun, Mrs. J. P. Harbison, Mrs. Martha Johnson and Mrs. Mary F. Morgan.

A VESTIBULE WINDOW in memory of W. W. Fletcher by Mrs. Clarice F. Massey

VESTIBULE TRANSOM in memory of Mr. James E. Nichols by Miss Madge Nichols

THE ALTAR in memory of Mrs. S. H. Chandler by S. H. Chandler & Children and Mr. & Mrs. Raiford Pate

COMMUNION RAIL in memory of Dr. & Mrs. R. E. Nichols, Sr. by the children

PULPIT in memory of Mrs. Fannie F. King and John King by Mrs. B. E. Glenn, Mrs. Randall Blake, Fletcher King, Wiley King, Woodrow King, O. B. Nichols and the Fellowship Class

DOSSAL CLOTH AND FRONT SCREENS in memory of Mr. & Mrs. T. L. Bailey, Sr. by Mr. and Mrs. M. I. Upchurch, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Claude Harris, Lewis Bailey, Mrs. Lena Waynick, Women's Society of Christian Service, Neighbors, Fellowship Class and Women's Class

PEW in memory of Minnie Frances Nichols by Mr. & Mrs. Frank Nichols

PEW in memory of Mr. Raymond Thompson by Mr. & Mrs. Donald Thompson

PEW in memory of Dalton C. Nichols by Miss Lukie Nichols

PEW in memory of Mr. L. S. Copley by Mrs. L. S. Copley

PEW in memory of T. H. Holloway, Jr., & Noel Clay Holloway by Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Holloway, Sr.

PEW in memory of Duncan A. & Gertrude Gibson Pate by Mr. & Mrs. Raiford G. Pate

PEW in memory of F. C. Dickerson & in honor of Mary E. Dickerson by Mr. & Mrs. Raiford G. Pate

PEW in memory of Mrs. Margaret N. Stallings by K. E. Stallings, John Stallings, and Mrs. Betty S. Wilson

PEW in memory of Mr. Lloyd Smith by Mrs. Lloyd Smith, Women's Society of Christian Service, Women's Class, and Fellowship Class

PEW in memory of Mrs. Sallie Ann N. Olmstead by Mrs. Anna Faye N. Hagy, Mrs. Ollie N. Carpenter, Mrs. Lucy N. Pitts, Miss Lukie Nichols, and Mrs. Lyda N. Weatherly

PEW in memory of Mr. A. C. Weatherly by the children

PEW in memory of John Roberts by Mr. J. E. Roberts

PEW in memory of Bruce Cameron by Mr. & Mrs. John Cameron

PEW in memory of Mr. & Mrs. R. H. Shaw by Mrs. W. L. McLeod, Mrs. W. R. Rogers, Leo Shaw, Coy Shaw, John Shaw, Claude Shaw, and Jones Shaw

PEW in memory of Mr. A. M. Carpenter by A. Wesley Carpenter

PEW in memory of John & Eliza C. Nichols by Owen B. Nichols

PEW in memory of Mr. & Mrs. James W. Rogers by the children

MEMORIAL DESK & BOOK in memory of Mr. & Mrs. David W. Fletcher, Sr. and D. W. Fletcher, Jr. by Mrs. D. W. Fletcher, Jr. and children, and Mr. & Mrs. Raiford G. Pate, and by children of Mr. & Mrs. D. W. Fletcher, Sr. PULPIT BIBLE in memory of J. T. Hicks by family and friends

HYMNALS in memory of Preston Few Chandler, Jr., by Mr. & Mrs. Preston F. Chandler, Sr. and Ricky Chandler

HYMNALS in memory of W. A. Covington by Mrs. W. A. Covington and children

FLOWER STANDS (for pulpit area) in memory of Clarence Husketh by Mrs. Clarence Husketh and family

CHRISTIAN FLAG in memory of Mr. William J. Jones by Mr. & Mrs. O. B. Bass

UNITED STATES FLAG in memory of John R. Bass by Mr. & Mrs. O. B. Bass

OUTSIDE LIGHTS in memory of Mrs. S. H. (Elsie N.) Chandler and Mrs. L. S. Copley by May Blackwelder

PIANO (Educational Building) in memory of Mr. & Mrs. S. H. Chandler by Mr. & Mrs. C. B. Weatherly, Sr.

FRONT GLASS DOORS in memory of Mr. & Mrs. S. H. Chandler by Mr. & Mrs. Matt W. Chandler and Mr. & Mrs. C. B. Weatherly, Sr.

CARPET FOR SANCTUARY in memory of Mr. & Mrs. S. H. Chandler by Mr. & Mrs. Matt W. Chandler and Church Treasury

OUTSIDE LIGHTED CHURCH SIGN in memory of Mrs. Emma King Blake by relatives and friends

KNEELING PAD (replacement) in memory of Stephen H. Nichols by Mrs. Stephen H. Nichols, Steve and Ruth

ORGAN MAINTENANCE FUND in memory of J. Vernon Suitt, Sr. by Mrs. Vernon Suitt, Sr., friends, and relatives

LIGHTED CROSS IN VESTIBULE in memory of W. E. Bullock by Mrs. W. E. Bullock

GIFTS OF HONOR

A VESTIBULE WINDOW in honor of Mrs. W. W. Fletcher by Mrs. Clarice F. Massey

PEW in honor of Mrs. L. S. Copley by the children

DOSSAL CLOTH (replacement) in honor of Laurie Rose Elliott by Mrs. Alice H. Hansford

BIBLE & STAND in honor of Mr. & Mrs. J. P. Harbison by Mrs. Alice Rose Hansford

SPECIAL GIFTS

OUTSIDE HANDRAILS by Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Copley and Margie Copley Capp

PLASTERING (Sanctuary) by Mr. Archie Mitchell

WINDOW IN SANCTUARY by Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Jones, Sr.

OFFERING PLATES (4) by Frank Pate, Mrs. Alda Copley, Mrs. Jessie Stubbins, Mrs. Rosa Thompson and Mrs. Alice W. Nichols

ALTAR CANDLESTICKS by Bruce Weatherly and Miss Mary Ann Weatherly

ALTAR CROSS by Miss Lanie Nichols

KNEELING CUSHION by Miss Lukie Nichols

LECTERN by Fellowship Class

THE BULLETIN BOARD (in vestibule) by Mr. Grady Phillips

HONOR ROLLBOARD by Clifton Harris

PEW by Mr. & Mrs. Bramham Glenn

PEW by Mr. & Mrs. J. P. Harbison

PEW by Mr. & Mrs. Randall Blake, Barbara and Richard

PEW by Mr. & Mrs. Henry Smith, Mr. & Mrs. Bryant Smith and Mr. & Mrs. Harry Smith

PEW by Mr. & Mrs. Leroy McLean and children

PEW by Mr. & Mrs. Elvis Fletcher and Mr. & Mrs. M. D. Fletcher, Sr.

PEW by Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Bailey

PEW by Women's Society of Christian Service

PEW by Stewards

PEW by Fellowship Class

PEW by Men's Bible Class

PEW by Judy Fletcher

PEW by Mr. & Mrs. M. I. Upchurch, Sr.

PEW by Mr. & Mrs. John Biggs and children

PEW by Mrs. Nannie Malloy, Mrs. Ella Fletcher, and Mrs. Lanie Wade

PEW by Mr. & Mrs. Forrest G. Nees

PEW by Methodist Youth Fellowship

SPECIAL GIFTS (since 1953)

AIR CONDITIONING & HEATING PARSONAGE \$2,000 gift bequeathed by Alice Weatherly Nichols

SHUTTERS AT SERVING WINDOW IN KITCHEN by Wanda Circle of United Methodist Women

BAPTISMAL BOWL by Mr. & Mrs. Forrest G. Nees

CARPET INSTALLATION by Tom McFarland

SPOT LIGHT IN FRONT OF CHURCH by Sam Vaughan, Jr. and Lewis Fletcher

FLOOR TILE IN CHURCH BASEMENT by Robert Chandler

FLOWER VASES by Mrs. Ida May Stacy

LIGHT FIXTURES IN SANCTUARY by the David Class

PAINTING EDUCATIONAL BUILDING (inside & outside) by Cornelius Fletcher

ELECTRIC HEATING & LIGHTING FOR EDUCATION BUILDING by Lewis Fletcher and Sam Vaughan, Jr.

DRAPES IN FELLOWSHIP HALL by Ruth Circle

INSTALLATION OF SANCTUARY LIGHT FIXTURES by Sam Vaughan, Jr. and Lewis Fletcher

FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE GIVEN IN MEMORY OF:

Bruce Cameron Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Carpenter Mr. and Mrs. Drury Chandler Preston Few Chandler, Jr. Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Chandler Mr. H. D. Ellis Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Fletcher, Sr. D. W. Fletcher, Jr. W. W. Fletcher Mr. and Mrs. Charlie A. Harbison Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Nichols Mr. John E. Roberts

GIVEN BY:

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SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS

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