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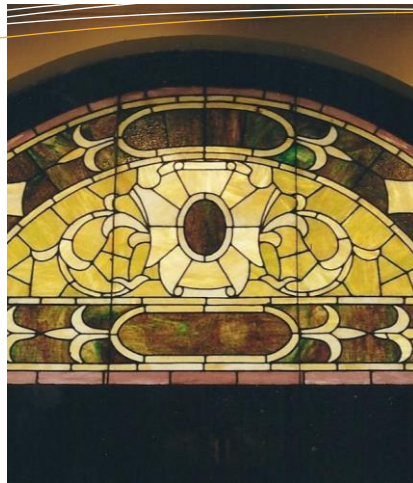
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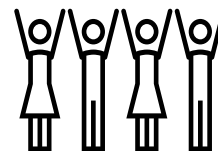
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, April 1: 11:00am-2:00pm TTU Wesley Foundation will have a Silent Auction, Lunch and Worship with Bishop McAlilly. Come join us for Friends and Family Day. Please RSVP at tntechwesley@gmail.com if you plan to attend fellowship.

Sunday, April 9: We will have a covered dish luncheon immediately following worship service.

Wednesday, April 5, 12, 19, 26: 6:00pm Bible Study led by Dona Watson in the B.A.S.I.C. SS room.



2023

"A Caring Community of Faith"

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



Wednesdays, April 5 - May 10, 6:00pm,
BIBLE STUDY on "The God of Elijah" led
by Dona Watson

I suggest that everyone read the book of James. It's a very short book, just 4 chapters; but it contains a wealth of instruction and information. It is uplifting, challenging and to the point.

For example, James 2: 14-17: What good is it, my brothers, if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save him? Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to him, "Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it? In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.



**On April 2, Palm Sunday, we
will have a special program to
celebrate Easter!**

**Come and join us as we sing
praises for our Lord and
Savior!**

"For God so loved the world, that he
gave his only begotten Son, that
whosoever believeth in him should
not perish, but have everlasting life."

John 3:16

ALWAYS THERE

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**If you know anyone that
needs to be added to this
list, please call the
church office or email us!**

Let's Celebrate!

BIRTHDAYS

APRIL

4 Pam Kilmon
5 Patrick Heinrich
8 Steve Neer
13 Carla Khouri
18 Andrea Thaxton
23 Angie Johnson
25 Jan Glover

MAY

2 Jim Eberly
12 Bill Mitchell
13 Alice Barlow
14 Kathy Neer
25 Stephanie Neer
26 Eli Johnson

ANNIVERSARIES

APRIL

18 Mike & Michelle Spivey

MAY

24 Steve & Kathy Neer

Send a card to those who cannot be with us,
birthdays, anniversaries, thinking of you cards!

United Women in Faith

On March 12, we presented the funeral pall to the church, we will bless it and dedicate it to the church later.

On March 20, we went to the home of Stella Cain to have our monthly meeting, it was a wonderful afternoon. We had a very good fellowship, and the food was delicious!

EARLY HISTORY OF GAINESBORO UMC

Excerpt from the Parthenon Press – 1956

The Gainesboro Methodist Church was organized in 1889 under W. H. Baird, pastor, and Rev. J. J. Ransom, Presiding Elder, with eight members. It was one of eight churches on the Gainesboro-Granville Circuit. There was no church building and the regular services once a month were held in the old Christian Church for four years. During this time revivals were held, and other members were added to the membership. More people were moving into Gainesboro, among them several Presbyterians. Gainesboro had only two churches-Methodist and Christian-and the Presbyterians attended the Methodist services. In a short time, a union Sunday school was organized which met in the courthouse.

In 1893 Rev. J. L. Smotherman was sent to Gainesboro as a pastor. He saw the possibilities for the Methodist Church and, being encouraged by the cooperation of the Presbyterians, began a campaign to build a place for worship. A lot was given south of the courthouse one block from the square. Work started in a short time and the house was completed in 1894. Rev. Smotherman was an enthusiastic worker and inspired the membership in the work. The church prospered and many members were added over the years.

In 1922 the church building was found to be inadequate for needs. The Sunday school had seven classes, the young people were many and the one-room church could no longer meet their needs. The pastor, Rev. K. A. Early, with interested members, began an intensive drive to get a new and larger church to meet the needs. A lot was purchased across the street from the old one. The congregation owned a parsonage. This was sold, as also the church was sold for a business house. The lot bought had a four-room cottage that was fine for a parsonage.

On July 4, 1923, the ground was broken for the new building by Rev. E. P. Anderson, Presiding Elder. Work immediately began. Much of the work was done by members; material such as logs for lumber was donated; members who owned teams hauled the logs to the mill; the

pastor had a brick kiln at the river where the brick for the inside walls were burned. In fact, most members found something they could do as well as give of their means. The cornerstone was laid in September 1923. The building, consisting of the sanctuary, seven Sunday school rooms, pastor's study, a full-sized basement, equipped with a kitchen and a large recreation hall, was ready to move into in 1924. During these years the church remained on the Gainesboro-Granville Circuit. In 1946 the church became a station with a full-time pastor. Soon after these plans were begun to build a new parsonage. This was erected on the lot just behind the old one. It was completed the next year. The parsonage has a living room, dining room, four bedrooms, kitchen, bath and full-sized basement.

The church feels proud to have had three young men to enter the ministry: Rev. H. Freeman McGlasson has held pastorates in Northwest Indiana Conference for several years and is now [1956] District Superintendent in this Conference; Rev. Lowry Anderson has been preaching in the North Georgia Conference for several years; Dennis Tramel, son of Rev. E. M. Tramel, present pastor, has entered the ministry and has been granted license as a local preacher.

The Gainesboro Church membership is now [1956] 151. The church building is valued at \$75,000.00 and the parsonage at \$13,000.00.

The following are members of the official board at the present time: Cordell Clark, chairman; V. C. Berry, charge lay leader; W. C. Anderson, district steward; F. L. Tardy, Sunday school superintendent; Mrs. F. L. Tardy, communion steward; Mrs. Max Whitaker, treasurer; Mrs. Ruth Page, president of the W.S.C.S.; P. H. Anderson, Mrs. G. D. Anderson, Mrs. J. W. Draper, Mrs. S. C. Hughes, W. C. Naff, Roger Quarles, Earl Tardy, Max Whitaker, Mrs. Ruth Wooten, Mrs. Meadows Montgomery, Mrs. W. G. Quarles.

E. M. Tramel, Pastor