CAPITOL VIEW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

1911-1981
FORWARD

History of Capitol View United Methodist Church - 1981

Mrs. Horace T. Sherrer, Co-Author of this history, has asked me, the Pastor, to write an introduction to it.

This is being written before I have the privilege of reading it, but knowing the thoroughness of the authors, I can, with confidence, recommend this important document to your careful reading and keeping.

History - its making and recording - is an important record for every institution, more especially the church. The making is the responsibility of all members, but the recording is delegated to one or more faithful and loyal members. In the case of this history - two members - Mrs. Gladys Sherrer and Mrs. Lena Taylor. Future generations shall be indebted to them, but more especially the present membership.

Thank You - Gladys & Lena

WESLEY L. THOMAS, Pastor
HISTORY 1911 - 1981

History of Capitol View United Methodist Church June 15, 1981

On November 11, 1911, a small, yet dedicated and earnest group met in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Carpenter, on Allene Avenue and under the guidance of the Rev. Joel R. Daves, Presiding Elder of the Atlanta District organized Capitol View Methodist Church.

The seventeen members present were: Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Carpenter, Miss Nellie Carpenter, Mrs. S. N. Freeman, W. B. Deckner, Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Hogue, Mrs. Farris Mitchell, Mrs. J. L. Jepson, Mr. J. L. Jepson, Frank F. Jepson, Albert F. Miller, Mrs. Albert C. Miller, Junius P. Hill, Miss Ruby George and Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Be~hea.

The first member to join the church on profession of faith after the organization of the church, was Mrs. S. N. Freeman. The first to unite at the first revival was Mr. Farris A. Mitchell. Our present membership is 845. Our membership number reached its peak in 1950 with a membership of 1100.

Rev. L. B. Simpson was the first pastor - he supplied from December 1911 to March 1912 then he was relieved by Rev. E. K. Akin, who filled out the remainder of the year and supplied for 1913.

The first communion service was administered by Rev. W. D. Heath, of the Alabama Conference on Easter Sunday in 1912.

The infant of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Carpenter, baptized at the time of the organization of the church, died in January 1912 and was the first death in the congregation.
The Church membership met for prayer meetings and worship services in the homes until the Sunday School was organized in a tent at the corner of Athens Avenue and Deckner Street in January 1912. Mr. John Shannon served as Superintendent and Mr. Frank Jepson as Secretary. Rev. L. B. Simpson, was supplying as pastor. The members later moved their tent to the corner of Dill and Stewart Avenue.

Realizing the essential part the women were playing in the church, the membership supported the movement in organizing a Woman's Aid Society with a charter membership of nine. Mrs. J. L. Jepson was elected President with Mrs. A. C. Hay as Vice President. Mrs. O. C. Cole was chosen as Secretary. Mrs. A. C. Miller, Mrs. Farris A. Mitchell, Mrs. W. D. Bethea, Mrs. George P. Dickson, Mrs. Hunter Hogue and Mrs. George Robbins completing the society's membership. The Ladies Aid Society was later changed to the Missionary Society, and is known as the Woman's Society of Christian Service. The work of the Society has been invaluable and it has grown to a present membership of 169, including both Wesleyan Service Guilds.

The foundation of the church was laid in 1913, during the pastorate of Rev. E. K. Akin. The lot measuring 50 feet by 195 feet, on which the Sanctuary is located was obtained from Mr. John Shannon on May 20, 1912 for $450.00, and "Love of the Church".

The congregation worshipped in the basement from 1913 until 1925. Under the pastorate of Rev. W. T. Watkins, who later became one of our most capable Bishops, the plans were made for the erection of the present building, which was completed March 18, 1928, while Rev. W. J. Culpepper was pastor.

A lot on Beatie Avenue was bought on July 27, 1922 for $750.00 on which a parsonage for the church was built. Rev. Arthur Maness was pastor at that time.

The new parsonage which is now located at 531 Shannon Drive was purchased November 4, 1946 for $12,000.00. Rev. H. C. Stratton lived in this parsonage only a short time before he was transferred.

Part of our Sunday School and League held classes in a little wooden frame building in the rear of the sanctuary until 1940. The building was then torn down and a two story brick church school annex was begun, while Rev. B. F. Mize was pastor. This annex was finished in 1941, during the pastorate of Rev. H. C. Stratton. The Annex was dedicated by Rev. H. C. Stratton on Sunday, June 25, 1943. Pictures of Church school members were made in front of the Annex at 10:30 a.m. on that day.
A movement was launched on June 20, 1943 to pay off the $7,700.00 indebtedness on the church. A total of $5,000.00 was pledged by those present to be paid by Thanksgiving of that year and more than $200.00 was paid in cash.

The Church debt was paid at the Thanksgiving evening service November 21, 1943. Bishop Arthur J. Moore was present for the dedicatory service.

Bishop Moore's opening statement was: "Dearly Beloved, as we learn from the Holy Scripture, it is meet and right that houses erected for the worship of God should be especially set apart and dedicated to religious uses. We are therefore, now assembled for the purpose of dedicating this house to the worship and service of Almighty God."

A drive was started in February 1944 in which each member was asked to give $1.00 each week for six weeks for the purpose of redecorating the Church. The redecoration was finished in March 1944.

Our pipe organ was bought in the fall of 1944 from Mr. Frank D. Willingham. Some of the pipes came from the organ which were formerly in the organ at Cox College in College Park. This organ was imported from France and was re-built by Mr. William D. Manley in 1952.

As an integral part of the church program from the very beginning, no other facet of the church has lent more contribution than the Music Department. Rich in lore, it continues to make strides.

A banquet was given by the church on Thursday Evening, June 20, 1946, in honor of our Boy's return from service in World War II.

The Annex soon became adequate to take care of the Church School so on March 25, 1952, the church purchased from Mr. Eubanks the dwelling at 675 Dill Avenue which part of the Youth Division of the Church School occupied for some length of time. That building was called the Teasley-Pearson Building, in memory of Mr. Tom W. Teasley and in honor of Mr. D. B. Pearson.

However, due to the continual growth of the church school, the need for a Youth Building became more apparent and plans were made to build a new building. Because of City regulations which would not permit us to build on the property line, it was necessary that we buy the dwelling next door at 679 Dill Avenue, which was purchased on July 2, 1956 for $11,500.00 cash, and is now rental property.
March 31, 1957 marked the ground-breaking for the three story church School Educational Building at 675 Dill Avenue. This occurred during the pastorate of Rev. Joseph Loy Black.

Open-house for the new church school building was held on Sunday afternoon December 15, 1957 from 2:30 to 5:00 p.m. and it was first occupied on this memorable date.

The first men's Group was begun during the pastorate of Rev. Ralph B. Hawkins and was called the "Fishmen Club". This group was later called the "Capitol View Fellowship Club". Mr. W. H. Walton (Tubby) served as President.

On June 27, 1952, during the pastorate of Rev. Joe L. Black, the "Methodist Men's Club" was organized, with Mr. Tom A. Willis as President.

Rev. W. J. DeBardeleben planned a great Homecoming on Sunday, October 16, 1932 in observance of the 21st Anniversary of Capitol View Methodist Church.

Rev. O. P. Fitzgerald was appointed to Capitol View in July 1948 and he saw the need for a church secretary and Mrs. D. B. Pearson accepted the post as the first paid secretary.

Mrs. E. C. Griggs was the first paid hostess and Mr. W. L. Marks, the first paid treasurer.

Reverend L. B. Jones was the first preacher to retire while serving our church. He preached his last sermon as a full-time minister on the second Sunday in June 1960.

Mrs. P. E. Davenport was the only person whose funeral was held in the Fellowship Hall because of the remodeling of the sanctuary which was in progress at that time.

Patricia Bernhardt and Bill Lummus was the last wedding to be held in the old sanctuary before the remodeling began.

Martha Hobbs and Joseph E. Smith were the first couple to be married in the newly decorated sanctuary which was held December 12, 1961.

During the second year pastorate of Reverend H. F. Lawhorn, provisions for a mammoth remodeling program were made in the spring of 1961 for our Church sanctuary building. The plans included the air-conditioning and redecoration of the sanctuary, new lighting, new pews, exterior repairs, (including the Colonial columns, with modern masonry).
Construction was begun on July 10, 1961 and during the period of remodeling, Church services were held in the Fellowship Hall. Work was completed sufficiently to permit the congregation to move back into the sanctuary on Sunday October 15, 1961. Plans for Homecoming on that Sunday were made with a great Jubilee Service, on this, our Fiftieth Anniversary. Dinner was served in the Fellowship Hall with Dr. Lester Rumble, our District Superintendent, present to dedicate the Educational Building at 675 Dill Avenue at 2:00 p.m. Revival services to be held each night during the coming week. Former Pastors, Rev. Black, Rev. L. B. Jones and Rev. Arthur Maness preaching.

At the time of the remodeling of the sanctuary in the spring and summer of 1961, our organ was gone over completely by Widener and Company, Ltd. at a cost exceeding $2,000.00. At the time of installation, extra pipes were added by Mr. W. D. Manley - the cost was $7,000.00.

The total cost of the remodeling of the sanctuary including the organ and a new grand piano was approximately $65,000.00.

To the Early Pioneers of this Church we owe our undying thanks and gratitude for this magnificent edifice, in which we humbly worship today. We dare not attempt to name them, less we omit one. For it was the arduous work, supreme sacrifices and zealous faith, zeal and love for God, Community and people, and with a vision of a Christian community in which to rear their children that gave these dedicated faithful pioneers the will, the strength and fortitude to face and overcome the almost insurmountable hardships to reach their goal.

So today let us dedicate this edifice to our forebears for their vision, which today becomes a reality, a shrine to their memory. Your father and mother; your grandfather and grandmother; a beloved uncle, aunt, or dear friend. To them we owe our undying thanks for this Golden Jubilee.

For future information; our sanctuary remodeling was planned under the direction of Barker and Cunningham Architects with Earl Strather and Company Contractors.
This report has a dual purpose. First, it is to explain this booklet to you who receive it by mail. Second, it is to constitute my report to the Charge Conference to be held in conjunction with our Anniversary--Homecoming.

In last week's "The View," I told you not to look for a "View" this week. At that time, our plans were to distribute this booklet at Church on November 2. But that would mean that those who did not attend would not get the book -- it would be almost impossible to mail it to those not present. Also, we wanted all members of the Charge Conference (the same at the Administrative Board) to have the Report of the Committee on Nominations (Goldenrod pages) in time to read and study it before being asked to vote on it. The same is true for all other reports contained in this presentation. Under usual conditions, these reports would be read or otherwise presented at the Charge Conference. I hope that you will like having your own copy of the reports better.

The first part of my report to the Conference deals with statistics for the period beginning November 19, 1979, and ending November 2, 1980.

MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY: We have not had an actual Preparatory Membership Roll -- just some numbers -- 11. According to information obtained and presented in the Directory section of this book, we have only 6 Preparatory Members. Please study the Directory and report any errors or omissions to me.

Total FULL MEMBERS at last report -- 211. Additions: 2 Restored -- Richard McKay and James L. Pippin. 1 Transferred from other UMC -- Mrs. Pearl Gunn.

DEDUCTIONS: 7 by Transfer to other UMC -- Jane Hobbs, Joe Hobbs, Mae Hobbs, Wade Hobbs, Laura Bray, Jim Conkle, and James L. Pippin. 1 Transferred to other denominations -- Richard McKay. 5 by Death -- (stand for the reading of these names) L. Clayton Clark, Mrs. Belle Grist, Mrs. Pauline Blackwell, Mrs. Mary York, and Bowen Lee Haralson. Total FULL MEMBERS to date -- 201.

Then, I am to give an account of my pastoral ministry. Even though we had a net loss of ten members (less than the net loss of 13 last year), we have had a good year as the following Composite Report bears witness. This Homecoming itself is the first we have had in some years -- and we have really worked together getting ready for it. Our "Shepherds' Program" has varied from a success to a failure depending upon the performance of individual Shepherds. I trust we will re-group and go forth in a more determined way in 1981.
While I would like to repeat, for emphasis, all of the accomplishments reported in the Composite Report, let me say "Thank You," "Amen," and "Praise God" for the past and turn our thought, prayers and attention to the future.

The Directory (which has been my pet project for some time) can be a very helpful tool in the ministry and mission of C.V.U.M.C. Let us all use it and become better acquainted with each other and our needs. Put every name listed on your prayer list -- or use it as a list. Perhaps we can follow the example of a neighbor church and select a section of the list to be especially prayed for each week.

Speaking of prayer, did you know that others are standing (or kneeling) ready, willing and able to pray with and/or for you? At least two groups in CVUMC -- one sponsored by the Grace Marks Class and another by Circle #2. See a recent issue of the View for the names and telephone numbers of the latter group. Or you may call the nationwide Prayer Partners conducted by the Upper Room. Our Conference United Methodist Men help provide the WATS line so that you may dial your prayer requests toll free. Dial 1-800-251-2468. Read Matt. 18:19.

In the immediate future, A PRE-THEANKSGIVING SERVICE will be held in our sanctuary on Wednesday, November 26th, 7:30 p.m., with all of the churches in our area invited to participate. The Band and Chorus of the Salvation Army's Officers Training College will provide special music and the Rev. Herb Davis, Pastor of the Sylvan Hills Church of God, will bring the message. Invite your neighbors and let us make this a very real COMMUNITY GATHERING to thank God.

Pray for me, your pastor, and your Church as we complete 1980 and move into 1981.

Love and Peace,

Thomas A. Whiting, D.S. Wesley L. Thomas
COMPOSITE REPORT FOR 1980

ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD

On behalf of the Administrative Board which represents the membership of the total church, it is my privilege and pleasure to welcome you to our Anniversary Celebration and to report on the affairs of Capitol View United Methodist Church for the year ending 1980.

Our year has been a busy one as we struggled to keep alive our reason for being a vital and viable responsibility for each member in the following areas:

1) Planning and executing a program of nurture, outreach, and witness for persons within and without our congregation.

2) Providing effective pastoral and lay leadership.

3) Providing physical facilities and financial support for legal obligations of the church.

4) Sharing our resources with the District and Conference organizations.

We have had the joy of adding new persons to our membership roster; we have also experienced sadness in the loss of members via death and relocation.

In concluding another successful year of Methodist Christianism, we feel a deep kindred to Sir Winston Churchill who so eloquently said, "Never have so many owed so much to so few."

Ellen A. Tyler
Chairman,
Administrative Board
COUNCIL ON MINISTRIES

The Council on Ministries meets six times a year, alternating meetings with the Administrative Board. To date the Council has had three dinner meetings and two meetings at the home of the Chairperson, Rosalyn Ashworth. A social hour followed the home meetings.

The first meeting was organizational as well as an overview planning time for the year. Plans were begun for our revival in March. Prayer groups were planned to precede the revival by our Chairperson of Evangelism, Betty Laird.

The Mission Chairpersons, Anne Griffin and Peggy Osborne presented a mission project which involved the collecting of glass and aluminum for re-cycling and the distribution of decorated jars for coins for missions and UMCOR boxes.

Sara Thomas, Family Ministries, planned to raise money for missions by having a Mothers' and Fathers' Day Bulletin.

The mission projects were very successful. We reached our goal which was the Six Lane Advance as follows: World Missions, Support for a missionary, $100; National Missions, Hinton Rural Life Center, $170; UMCOR, Haiti, $70; Missional Priorities, World Hunger, $100; Conference Missions, Camp Glisson, $145; St. Mark Spanish-Speaking, $145; Covecrest, $135; and District Missions, $100, a total of $965, all of which was raised by projects and donations.

In June, Woodruff Rodgers, Sunday School Superintendent, announced an attendance contest for the 3 adult classes. This contest would run from 1st Sunday in September through the last Sunday in October with the losers giving a dinner for the winners.

Plans were made for our 69th Anniversary. Ellen Tyler, Chairman of the Board, and Rosalyn Ashworth, Chairman of the Committee will organize this celebration and homecoming.

As plans were made for the anniversary, it became very evident that a good old-fashioned clean up campaign was in order. About six Saturdays were set aside as work days with about 20 people cleaning and painting. Paint and cleaning materials were donated by the workers. Lunch time was a time of fellowship and of great profit for the local Wendy's Hamburgers.
The Council meetings are informal with each chairperson and coordinator taking part. The attendance has been good.

Next year we will be following the plan for small churches of having an Administrative Council.

Rosalyn Ashworth,
Chairperson,
Council on Ministries
UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

The women of Capitol View United Methodist Church have had a very fruitful year. We are successfully meeting our pledge to missions of $1,025 and have raised our pledge by $25 for the year, 1981.

In addition to giving to the designated mission projects, we have given $20 to Camp Glisson for campships; $25 to the St. Mark Spanish-Speaking Church; $26 to the Salvation Army; $10 to the speaker from Ethel Harpst Home, and we shall send our Christmas offering to the Ethel Harpst Home.

We belong to Church Women United and we have a key woman, Anne Griffin, who attends meetings regularly. We sent two delegates to the North Georgia Conference School of Missions.

Lois Prater, President, has presided at all of our meetings. Rosalyn Ashworth, Vice President, has presented programs involving community leaders from our local churches, Salvation Army, Lakewood Christian Manor, Ethel Harpst Home, Edwards Pie Company and officers from our district.

Our meetings have been well attended with an average attendance of 30 women and 7 men. Our unit has been represented at all UMW meetings; local, district, conference and jurisdictional.

Lunch is served at each meeting by our food committee with Sidney Mitcham as chairperson.

Our shut-ins are remembered each month by cards, calls, or visits. On special days such as Valentine, Easter, Mother's Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas, they are remembered with small love gifts.

We lost two members by death: Belle Grist and Pauline Blackwell. We gained two members: Pearl Gunn and Virginia Cain.

Circle 2, our circle for working ladies, meets on the Sunday following the meeting of the day group. They meet at noon and bring salads for a luncheon meeting. The average attendance is 15. Ellen Tyler, Chairperson, presides and Sara Thomas, Co-Chairperson, presents interesting and informative programs. Speakers have included district officers and a speaker from the Spanish-Speaking church San Marcos, and Sara Thomas.

We use our love offering to remember our ill and bereaved and to purchase special memberships. Louise McNiel is our chairperson.
We supply our program chairpersons with the New World Outlook and Response magazines. We have nine members to whom we send the large print Upper Room. We have sent $48 to the Methodist Children's Home for birthdays.

We support the program of our church and we are willing to serve where needed.

Lois Prater,
President, UMW
Capitol View United Methodist Church has always been known as a warm, caring, and friendly church; deeply concerned about each of its members.

A well planned Church School Program has resulted in a volume of Church School students over the years. Many fine young people have attended our nursery school and continued through the Church School until the adult age of marriage.

We are especially proud of those who have gone into the Ministry. Seven of our young, dedicated Christian men have been called to the Ministry - namely:


Church School Classes

Deckner Bible Class
Grace Marks Class
Friendship Class
Joy Class **
Morgan Class **
DeBardeleben Class **
Keystone Class **
Norton Class **
THE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Purpose –

The organized unit of United Methodist Women shall be a community of Women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship and to expound concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the Church.

Our aim is to present programs each month that will uphold Christian fellowship; participation in all church programs; involvement in all mission activities; and endeavor to interest all women to become active in our work.

[Signature]
Date: M. M. W, 1981
The night circle of the United Methodist Women has been a vital part of the UMW for years, serving the working women of the church. During the late 70's and early 80's, the attendance began to drop due to fear of driving at night and the distance of many members. This plight was discussed at the August 1980 meeting and some thought that the circle should be abandoned.

After much prayer, a group suggested a different meeting time. Mrs. Thomas, the minister's wife invited the circle to the parsonage for the October meeting - which was a luncheon, following the morning worship service.

At the business meeting, new interest and enthusiasm was shown and the group voted to meet on the Sunday following the general UMW meeting. The meeting would be held at the church, after a circle luncheon.

Newly Elected Officers were:

President          Ellen Tyler
Vice President     Sara Thomas
Secretary          Sara Yearwood
Treasurer          Ruby Holt

The Circle would be called Circle II.

A prayer chain consisting of 22 ladies has been formed as a result of the program. This has been a strengthening factor of the circle.

In our search of faith, knowledge, salvation, Christian fellowship and experience, we have gained in membership and are filling a vital link in the mission program of the church.
The Capitol View United Methodist Women of Atlanta, assisted by many of the Methodist Men, are engaged in a project that has yielded more than 16,700 pads since March of 1976, for the "Our Lady of Perpetual Help" Free Cancer Home.

This sewing project organized in 1970 by members of the Friendship Bible Class was spearheaded by Lois Prater and the late Gladstone J. Prater. The women meet once each month on each third Wednesday in the Fellowship Hall of the Church.

At first, the ladies brought old sheets from home from neighbors and from any available source. These were quickly cut and sewed into pads. When this method of supply was depleted, Sam Lee, one of the Methodist Men began calling on local businesses and explaining the need of material with which to make the pads. A group of community-minded business men began to supply the sheets. Sam Lee collects the sheets and delivers them to the church. From there the sheets are taken to a local business establishment which allows its workers to use the company equipment to cut the sheets into the proper size.

Back at the church, an advance team of Lois Prater, Jim and Mollie Argo, Wallace and Sidney Mitcham, assemble the sheets and combine them with cellulose to make a soft disposable pad. The pads are then placed on the tables ready for sewing.

On sewing day the women arrive, equipped with sack lunches, needles, thread, scissors, etc. While the women sew, the men are busily engaged in cutting cellulose linings for the pads. It is a day which yields a worthwhile service, plus fun and fellowship for the women and men.

There is a monthly attendance of 30. Mrs. Eunice Mitcham is the revered 90 year-old seamstress who prefers to sew at home, so her pads are delivered to her home each month.

This Methodist Group also supplies the ladies of Lakewood Christian Manor with pads to sew. Mrs. Stella Haynes, age 86, is the Champion seamstress of the Manor.
Jennifer and Joe Laird went into full time Christian work after college. Jennifer and her husband, Steve Galloway, are on staff with Campus Crusade for Christ and have worked with high school age students for six years. Joe Laird has been on staff with World Wide Discipleship as an Assistant for six years, also on the College level with the University of Georgia and presently at the University of Tennessee. This summer he will be in Korea with the Joy Mission, teaching Korean University students controversial English and will hold Bible studies and share their Faith. Each staff member will work with 25 students each.

Mary Laird is working all summer on Faith Ranch in Jewett, Ohio, teaching young people Christian living along with the care of animals around the camp fire, which includes discussion groups and prayer groups.

One of our church families has held a high school Bible study weekly for almost ten years in their home reaching several high schools through the years.

Last year, in preparation for our revival, our church held neighborhood prayer groups for several weeks which drew our people together. From that experience has come a prayer chain whose members are called for prayer requests among the group.

Our Shephard Program also keeps us in touch with all members — where designated members are required to keep check on his "Flock".

Our Shut-in Program came out of our own United Methodist Women's group. Each month each member takes a shut-in's name and keeps up with that member for one month with loving thoughtfulness.

Many of our members have volunteered to help deliver "The Meals on Wheels" to our elderly people. This is a reach-out to our neighbors.

LAY LEADER

After lying dormant for several years and responding to the call of the Lay Leader, the United Methodist Men's Club of Capitol View United Methodist Church was reactivated in 1980.

Three members of the UMC attended the retreat at Rock Eagle.

Laity Day was observed on the second Sunday in October. All participants in this service were female except the Lay Leader, Wallace Mitcham.
An ardent Youth Worker, Sam Lee has conducted a War on Drugs, Alcohol, Tobacco and Obesity in Southwest Atlanta for many years. He presents a program on these vices, which has been shown in 60 schools to approximately 25,000 to 35,000 pupils, plus at least 500,000 T.V. viewers. The program, "How to Save a Million Lives", is sponsored by the Capitol View United Methodist Church Men's Club. J. Sam Lee, Program Chairman for the club, schedules talks for schools and other organizations. One half million Americans lose their lives to alcohol related deaths, and one half million Americans lose their lives from smoking tobacco. Sam is a true, dedicated Crusader.
The past year when our church needed repairing, painting, or cleaning, instead of employing someone to do it, about 40 members volunteered their services every Saturday. This definitely drew many together for Christian fellowship as they worked.

Mr. Wallace J. Mitcham, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, graciously furnished us with the following report:

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Since January 1980, the following actions have been taken to enhance Capitol View Methodist Church property:

Parsonage: The parsonage has been reroofed by Phillips Roofing Company.

The parsonage attic has been reinsulated by Sears Roebuck.

An air conditioner, donated by Rosalyn and Bill Ashworth, has been installed in an upstairs bedroom. Also an air conditioner was purchased and installed in a downstairs bedroom.

The gas heater in the downstairs family room has been replaced by one donated by Mrs. Tom Teasley.

Fellowship: Fellowship Hall has been repainted and all windows washed.

The gas stove has been cleaned and repaired by adjusting the burners and calibrating the ovens.

The air conditioner was repaired by replacing bearings in the fan.

Sanctuary: Water leak in the roof was repaired, gutter cleared of debris, tree limbs cut back and the damaged portion of the sanctuary wall was repainted.

Davenport: Davenport Hall has been repainted including all side rooms. The transom windows were thoroughly cleaned as well as the outside windows.

The floor has been stripped and waxed with new life being added.
Davenport: One of the Gas Ranges was moved from Fellowship Hall to the Old Kitchen in Davenport Hall. This range was repaired, repainted, and brought back to serviceable condition. This gives us an extra kitchen as an alternative. All of the kitchen cabinets have been thoroughly scrubbed down.

Church: Eighteen new windows are being installed on the Athens Avenue side of the building. These will replace those windows that defy retaining paint.

Wiring (electrical) in this building is being rerouted to accommodate the addition of air conditioners, and electrical office machines that have been added over the years and are now causing overloading of the circuits.
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