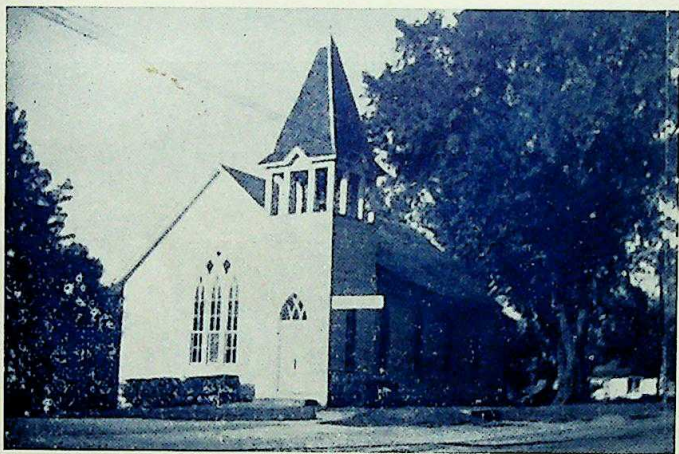


Fiftieth Anniversary

OCTOBER 11 - 12, 1947



First Baptist Church

Of

UNION STAR, MISSOURI

ELWOOD L. GOSS, Pastor

THE ROLL CALL

8 P. M. Saturday

Song Service

Remarks by Neighbor Pastors

Solo.....Mrs. Freeman Howell

Reminiscences C. E. Goodnight

The Calling of the Roll.....Church Clerk

Scripture and Prayer

Address..... John W. Minor

Announcements and Benediction.....The Pastor

MORNING WORSHIP

11 A. M. Sunday

Worship Leader, C. E. Goodnight

Prelude

Holy, Holy, Holy

Invocation

Doxology

Anthem.....The Choir

Responsive Reading

Hymn Number 406—"The Church's One Foundation"

Scripture

Solo.....Mrs. James Clark

Prayer

Prayer Response

Selection—"Beautiful Savior".....

Kenneth McMillen

Loren Allen

Virginia Hunsucker

Betty Lou Welch

Offering

Announcements

Hymn Number 296—"Lead On, O King Eternal"

Sermon..... O. W. Stanbrough

Hymn Number 193—"I Need Thee Every Hour"

Benediction

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BASKET DINNER

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SERVICE OF COMMEMORATION

2 P. M. Sunday

Song Service.....Conducted by R. S. Adams

Invocation

Anthem.....The Choir

Remarks by Friends

Solo.....Bernard McMillen

Church History.....Mrs. Merle Livingston Clark

Scripture.....William J. Heriford

Selection—"Thanks Be to God".....

Hubert Laffoon

Mrs. Freeman Howell

Ledru Laffoon

Mrs. J. O. Swink, Jr.

Offering

Hymn Number 31—"Stand Up for Jesus"

Address.....William J. Heriford

Hymn Number 254—"Have Thine Own Way, Lord"

Benediction

A WORD OF HISTORY

The First Baptist Church of Union Star, Missouri, was organized in the Union Star Christian Church on October 11, 1897, with fifteen charter members. It was voted to proceed at once to the erection of a church building and the present edifice was dedicated the following year. Rev. S. Riggs served as moderator at the organization and served as the first pastor. He served three different terms as pastor and continued his strong interest in the Church until his passing in 1940. In the intervals between his pastorates various pastors served the Church. Several of these were students and many of them only stayed a short time, but their work left a lasting impression on the Church. One of the longer pastorates was that of Rev. W. J. Heriford, who ably served the Church for five years. Since his departure in 1938 the Church has had four pastors and progress has continued.



PASTORS

S. Riggs
R. W. Porter
O. W. Stanbrough
F. Baldus
L. C. Robinson
W. J. Heriford
C. E. Goodnight
Kenneth Grant
Ellis L. Tiffany
Elwood L. Goss

DEACONS

D. N. Clark
C. F. Trachsel
W. E. Albert
W. E. Piper
S. Duke
J. W. Thomas
J. H. Callahan
Frank Williams
A. Kelley
F. A. Smith
James Bellis
Robert Campbell
A. A. Masters
Hubert Laffoon
Curtis Redding
J. O. Swink, Sr.
Loren Allen
J. O. Swink, Jr.