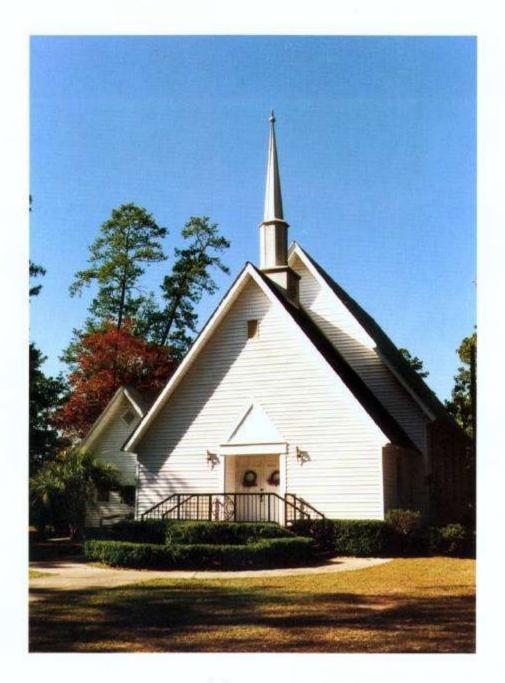
Celebrating 160 Pears of Caring ... 1834 - 1994



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Let the children "Come Unto Me"



Craig Zody Musician/Choir Director



Barbara M. Stiles Pastor



Nancy Stiles Youth Director



Confirmation Class



Blessing Tree

Sharing Christ's Love



With Children at Worship



By Celebrating Our Heritage



By BBYC in praise



By Sharing Our Memories



By Working Together



By Celebrating Easter

Sharing In Fellowship



Around the Chrismon Tree



At Our Heritage Sunday Picnic



At Our Fellowship Supper

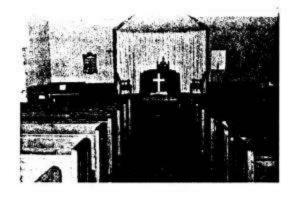


At a Fish Fry



With Our Love

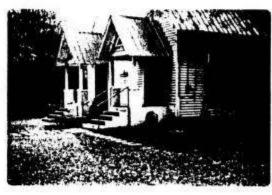
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The earliest historical record of Bethel Methodist Church is that in August of 1834, a camp meeting was held on the banks of Bethel Pond. Church meetings were held in neighborhood homes following this. In good weather brush arbors provided meeting places for these early worshippers. Later, services were held in a small log schoolhouse about a mile north of the present church.

On March 17, 1847, Joseph and Thirza Hale deed-

ed two acres of land to the Methodist Episcopal Church with the provision that Bethel Meeting House be built in the center of the two acres. A small frame church with wooden shutters was built where our Sunday School rooms are today.





In 1909 the congregation started

building the present sanctuary. The church building was originally roofed with wooden shingles. The windows contain the original panes with the imperfections of early glass. The interior of the church was not completed until 1947. The narthex was added in 1970 and the steeple in 1972.

The furniture in the Church constitutes one of the most interesting parts of its history. The Pulpit was used by Bishop Joshua Soule on February 6, 1845 when he convened the first Florida Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in Trinity Methodist Church, Tallahassee, Florida. Trinity gave the Pulpit to Bethel Church circa 1895. The chancel rail, communion table and two of the pulpit chairs were part of Trinity Church during the 1800's and were given to Bethel in 1946. The larger pulpit chair was a gift of John Sullivan, friend of our Church.





Meet the Ministers of Bethel United Methodist Church



ABBOTT, Donnie & Judy Glenn



ARMISTEAD, Daisy Michael



BAILEY, Mary Helen Le Anne Gravitt, Michael, Tabitha



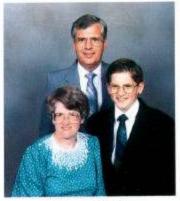
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BROWN, Phillip & Betty Robert



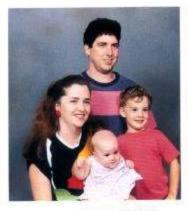
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BYRD, Mabel



CALLAWAY, Aaron & Faye



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CHURCH, Adele



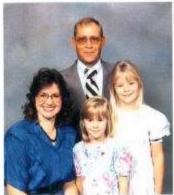
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HARTSFIELD, Annie Ruth



HOLZWORTH, Tom & Susan



HOSIG, Kris & Julia Anna, Sara



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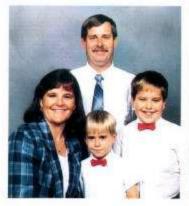
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MARSH, Sylvia



MC COY, Beulah M.



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MC ELVAR, Newton & Winifred



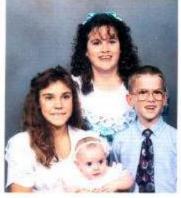
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MORELLY, Barbara



PLATE, Carl & Mildred



QUANEY, Nancy Stacy Jones, Forrest, Katie



ROYCE, Lawrence & Thelma



‡SCOTT, Effie Morrison



SHELFER, Lillie Mae



SINGLETARY, Don & Pat Ricky, Douglas



STILES, Joseph & Barbara



STILES, Mark & Nancy Jason, Heather, Brittany



STUBBS, Michael & Michael Chase, Jessica, Joey



TESSEIN, Edna



TILLMAN, Ivy



TROEMPER, Vicki Jessica, Heather



TUCKER, Jennifer Emily, Robby



VILLAFANA, Cesar & Ruth Paola, Cesar Jr.



WILLIS, Shelley Elizabeth



ZODY, Craig & Janie



‡ALDERMAN, Neva



‡CALLAWAY, Mattye



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