



*Concord*  
*United Methodist Church*

1804 - 1977

## *Pastoral Notes*

"For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body. . . and all were made to drink of one Spirit. For the body does not consist of one member but of many."

This directory contains more than mere names and faces. It is a representation of the body of Christ at Concord UMC. Every member is important to the life, integrity, growth, and mission of the church. Yet if a body is not aware of all of its parts and how the parts function, then the body will not be in top working order.

It is my hope that the Spirit of Christ will knit us together in an unbreakable bond of fellowship and purpose. Use this directory as a tool for expanding your circle of fellowship, as a tool for outreach and evangelism to the disenchanted, as a tool for building up the body of Christ in love.

Grace and peace is yours from God our Father, and Jesus Christ our Lord.



REV. JIM CALDWELL

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jim Caldwell".

Jim Caldwell, Pastor

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*A Brief History Of*  
*Concord*  
*United Methodist Church*

**Kirk Cannon**

Our heritage goes back to the days when Bishop Francis Asbury travelled this way, dating our beginnings, according to some historians, as early as 1780. In fact, three houses of worship stood on this spot long before our present church was built.

The first structure, a humble Meeting House was built on property adjacent to "New Ireland", a long forgotten tract of land laid out in 1763, when a large furnace company located here.

The original Church Trustees, all prominent citizens of their time, descended from distinguished ancestors, one of whom was a Mayflower pilgrim, another Surgeon General of the Revolutionary Army, and still another fitted out the first missionary ship to sail the South Seas.

The Meeting House and the land for our first church was purchased August 26, 1804, hence our founding date. Concord at that time was a fast-growing community and a very large church was built to accommodate the anticipated attendance. The church, being nearly square, was actually two stories high. The second floor was for galleries, or balconies, which ran all around the house except for the pulpit end. The pulpit was an institution in those days and rose nearly to the ceiling, and the altar was large enough to contain a room.

It may not be generally known, but some of our earliest members were good Black folks from Pilot Town. We were doubly segregated in those days. The Blacks were obliged to sit in the galleries, and the White men sat on opposite sides of the house from the White women.

The early preachers were fiercely independent individualists, unable to marry because of John Wesley's directive, "the itinerant will itinerate". These parsons were frequently short tempered and enlivened the services with outbursts at certain individuals and occasionally the whole congregation.

Camp grounds were popular in those early years, and many conversions were made during the "Second Great Awakening" in a woods just east of Concord, near a creek with the ominous sounding names of "Black Savannah".

A second, smaller, more convenient church was built in 1841, and a wooden bell tower was built to be used jointly by the church, school, and town.

The outbreak of the Civil War changed our feelings toward our Black members, and after the Emancipation Proclamation was signed we locked our church doors against them. The Black members, by the next Sunday, were holding services in an old stable on Shell landing in Pilot Town. No doubt it was our loss when the obvious enthusiasm, shouts of "Hallelujah" and "Praise the Lord" left our church with them.

Our present church was rebuilt in 1870 and has retained its same basic appearance. In 1893 the Willing Helpers Society was founded by ladies of the church. Dues were 1¢ per week for adults, and ½¢ per week for children. One year later the Willing Helpers boasted a membership of 125.

In spite of heroic efforts of the Willing Helpers, our members began to leave the community to seek employment elsewhere, and Concord gradually declined to a mere hamlet of no economic importance. The elders of the community, sensing that the history and memory of Concord should be preserved, formed in 1921 the "Sons of Concord". At that time there were many hickory trees on the church property, and "Hickory Grove" was chosen as the site of the first meeting. In 1928 the Community House was built and soon the annual meetings were held there. Later named the "Sons and Daughters of Concord", to include the ladies, the society took on the obligation of the upkeep of the cemetery.

Even as our community's population declined, our church continued to hold weekly Sunday Services, and today it is not hard for us to see why the Seaford Leader recently commended us as being one of the oldest living Methodist Churches in the area.

Our church today is a living and vibrant force in the community. The addition of the Educational Building and many other improvements probably now exceed the vision our forefathers had for us.



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