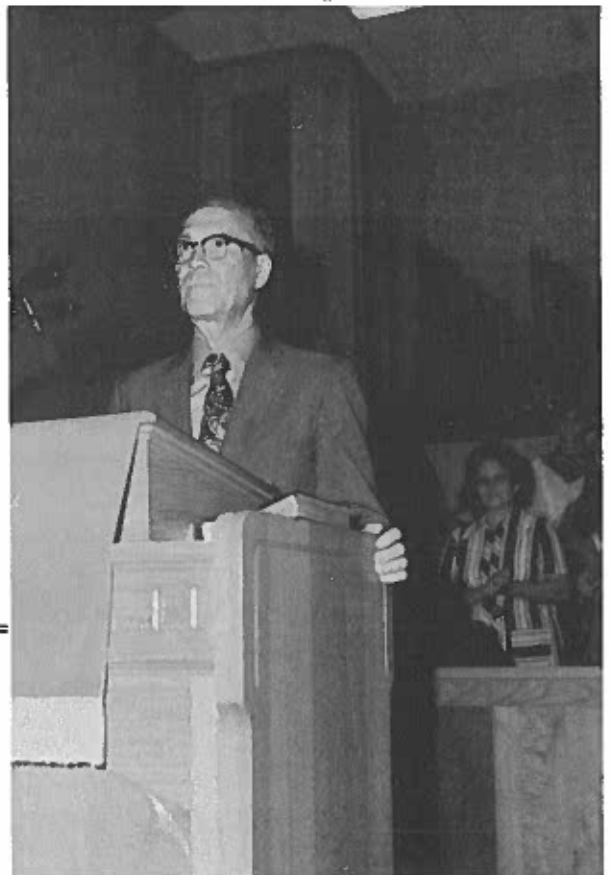


Senior Pastors of First United Methodist Church

Name	1st Year
J. P. Cole	1930
C. A. Ridge	1930
Leroy Brown	1932
J. M. Perry	1933
C. S. Walker	1933
F. K. Suddath	1934
C. A. Clark	1935
F. Lee Willshire	1942
A. F. Tucker	1945
C. E. Jameson	1949
Leroy Sewell	1953
L. B. (Pete) Trone	1957
H. L. McAlister	1960
James W. Miller	1968
John L. Carpenter	1974
Dick Clemmer	1978
Roland McGregor	1987

An Admired Pastor of the Past
Reverend H.L. McAlister





Our Heritage

The First United Methodist Church of Hobbs has a strong history of deep faith, commitment, vision, and outreach. In 1919, seven original members formed the congregation that has become our church. Those faithful men and women were: Mrs. Sam Cain, Mrs Leonard Leech, Mr. & Mrs. Sam Dalmont, Mr. B.H. Turner, Mrs. Bob White, and Mrs. Frank Selman. Those dedicated Christians first met in an old schoolhouse and eleven years later, in 1930, the growing congregation was able to construct its first building. The original building is now the basement of our current church.



Minister C A Clark & Daughter -- 1935

Our current John Wesley Hall, the first sanctuary, was completed in 1948 after World War II. The pastor and membership realized a long cherished dream when they celebrated its completion. The seating capacity was forty more than any other auditorium in Hobbs, and the choir loft held 46. This proved to be a true asset for the entire community of Hobbs to have concerts and visiting choirs. The 65 foot high bell tower containing chimes was topped with a mission clay tile roof and a St. George Cross. Additional building projects were initiated as the congregation continued growing and proclaiming Christ's word to the community. An education wing, a promenade, and chapel were completed in 1954.



Taken Just Before Completion in 1954

The most recent expansion took place in 1984 in conjunction with the Methodist Bi-Centennial. Down came the 1954 bell tower and up went the current sanctuary which seats 750 on the ground floor. A great deal of remodeling throughout the old part of the church was also completed. The church celebrated the burning of the mortgage and dedication of the sanctuary on September 12, 1993. Sights are now set on the completion of the Elnora Ewing Youth Wing which will provide much needed educational and recreational space for the youth of the church and community.

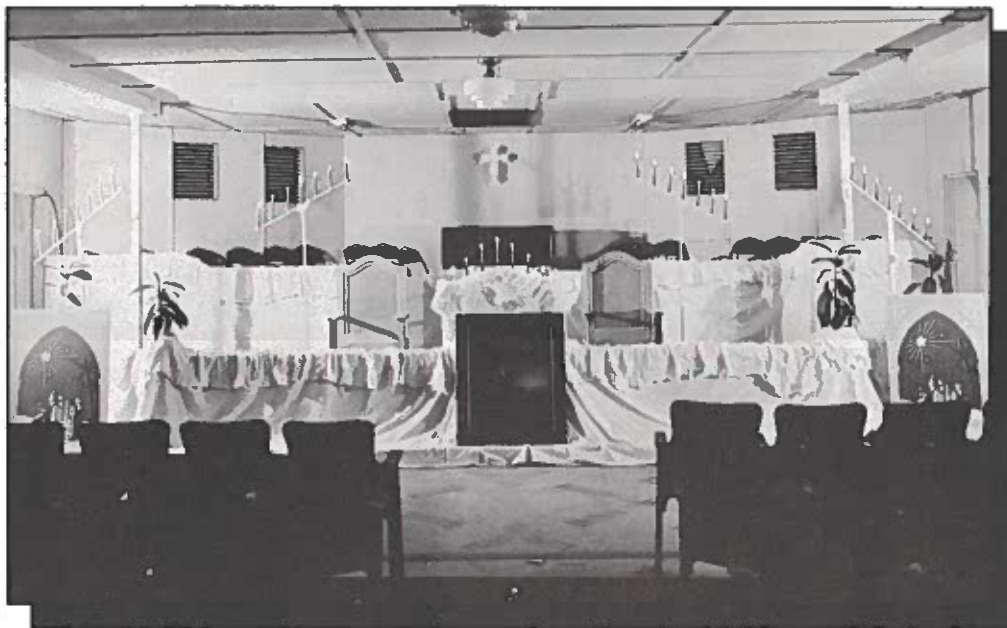


First United Methodist Church of Hobbs in 1993

Following the example of those first seven members, today's congregation continues to work to fulfill the vision of Christ's Church. The true church is not a building, but people drawn together by a common love for Jesus Christ. First United Methodist Church of Hobbs is a pioneering church, finding new and exciting ways to express the Christian faith.



Our Heritage



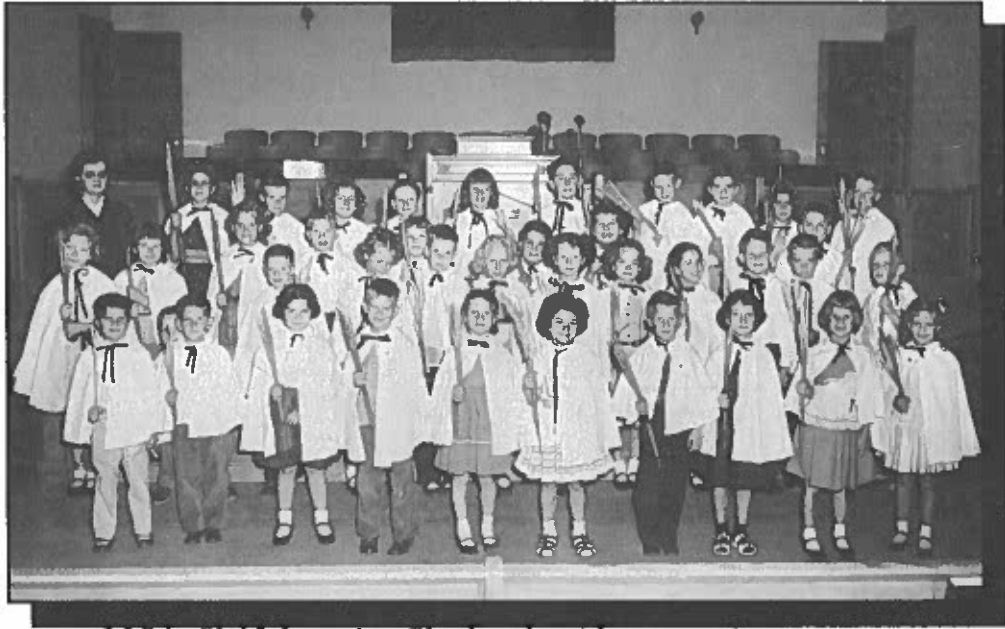
The 1940's altar, set up in the building which is now the current basement of FUMC



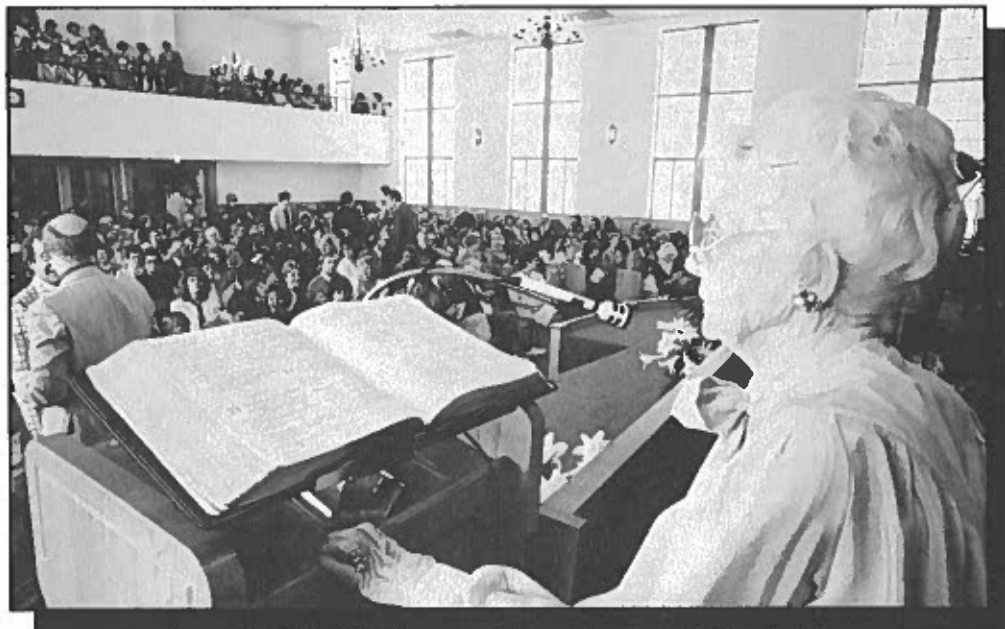
Rev. A.F. Tucker at the altar in the late 1940's, and the choir loft which became the kitchen during the 1984 building project.



Our Heritage



*1954 Children's Choir in the sanctuary. . .
Recognize anyone?*



*The sanctuary in 1984 on the last day of its use
before moving into the current sanctuary. This room
is now John Wesley Hall.*



Our Heritage



*The youth group enjoying each other in 1959
Can you find the father of one of our staff members?*



*The first major youth choir in 1969 You
might spot several children who belong to some of
our current members.*

BUDGET EXPENDITURES

November 1950

<u>Date</u>	<u>Paid To</u>	<u>Check No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Nov. 6	C. E. Jameson - Salary	2295	\$ 100.00
" 6	Louise Averitt - Salary	2296	28.85
" 6	Wm. Carson - Salary	2297	75.00
" 6	Baby Lee Carson - Nursery work	2298	2.00
" 6	Insurance Fund	2299	10.00
" 6	Paving Fund	2300	15.00
" 6	Wm. Carson - Bonus for extra work during Revival	2301	10.00
" 9	James A. Clifford, Treas. Sacramento Assembly Insurance	2302	50.00
" 13	Louise Averitt - Salary	2303	28.85
" 13	C. E. Jameson - Salary	2304	100.00
" 13	Baby Lee Carson	2305	2.00
" 13	Insurance Fund	2306	10.00
" 13	Paving Fund	2307	15.00
" 15	R. F. Bryant - MYF Account	2308	11.75
" 18	Board of Missions & Church Ext. - 25 Booklets	2309	12.50
" 18	N.M. Elec. Service Corp.	2310	24.52
" 18	City of Hobbs - Garbage Assessment	2311	2.00
" 18	Hobbs Gas Company	2312	6.57
" 18	Southwestern Assoc. Telephone Company	2313	8.12
" 18	The Christian Advocate	2314	4.00
" 20	Louise Averitt - Salary	2315	28.85
" 20	C. E. Jameson - Salary	2316	100.00
" 20	Baby Lee Carson - Nursery work	2317	2.00
" 20	Wm. Carson - Salary	2318	75.00
" 20	Insurance Fund	2319	10.00
" 20	Paving Fund	2320	15.00
" 27	C. E. Jameson - Salary	2321	100.00
" 27	Louise Averitt - Salary	2322	28.85
" 27	Baby Lee Carson - Nursery work	2323	2.00
" 27	Wm. Carson - Advance on salary	2324	25.00
" 27	Insurance fund	2325	10.00
" 27	Paving Fund	2326	15.00
" 27	City of Hobbs - Water Dept.	2327	8.65
" 27	Dupree-Derrick Office Supply-Mimeo paper, typewriter ribbon	2328	7.36
" 27	Higginbotham-Bartlett Co.--Door lock, material to refinish doors	2329	24.05
" 27	The Hobbs Sportsman - Volley Ball Net for MYF	2330	19.58
" 27	J. C. Penny - Gift for Mealy's	2331	5.98
" 27	Davis Office Supply - Stencils	2332	3.78
" 27	The Melody Shop - Recording material for Flower's sermon	2333	5.60
" 27	Rev. Robt. Houston - School of Evangelism speaker-Rev.	Willis-Exp. 2334	40.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES			\$ 1042.86

*Something interesting to compare with
 the budgets in the "Our Church's
 Future" section of this album!*

BILLS PAYABLE:

Dist. Supt. (Nov.-Dec.)	\$ 86.68
Conf. Claimants (Nov.-Dec.)	112.66
Episcopal Fund (Nov.-Dec.)	15.16
Minimum Salary (Nov.-Dec.)	17.50
World Service (Nov.-Dec.)	200.66
Gen. & Jur. Conf. Exp. (Nov.-Dec.)	13.34
Advance Fund (Nov.-Dec.)	74.50
Dist. Work (Dec.)	17.83
Retail Plumbers Supply, Inc. - Repair Furnaces and gas valves	18.85
Linam Electric Company - Repair lights in Ed. Bldg.	28.82
Methodist Publishing House	Approximately 175.00
TOTAL BILLS PAYABLE	
Bank Balance	\$ 210.75
DEFICIT	\$ 549.75

