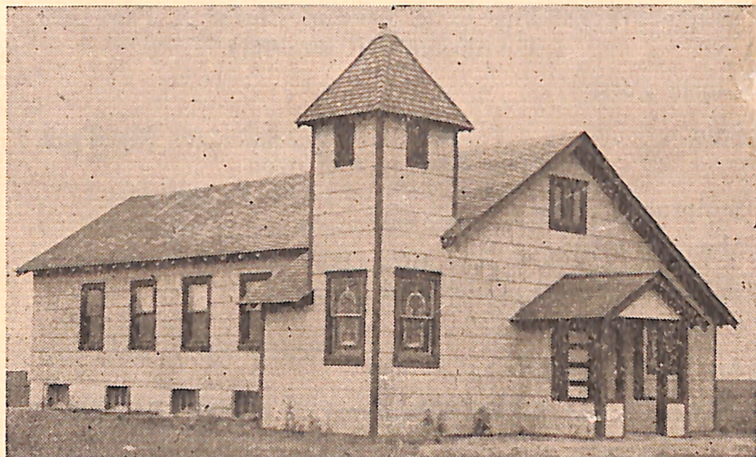


**KALVESTA
METHODIST CHURCH**

KALVESTA, KANSAS



SUNDAY, JUNE 29, 1947

Program for

DAY OF DEDICATION

Rev. William C. Martin, D.D. Bishop
Kansas-Nebraska Area

Rev. J. Russell Throckmorton, D.D.... Superintendent
Dodge City District

Rev. William F. Ramsdale Pastor
Cimarron-Kalvesta Parish

Morning Service 11:00 A.M.

Order of Worship

Prelude—

Miss Waneta Lillibridge

Call to Worship—Psalm 100:1-5

Hymn—How Firm a Foundation 315
(Congregation seated)

Responsive Reading—The Mind of Christ .. Page 592
(Congregation standing)

Gloria Patri

Solo My Task
Mrs. Lawrence Norton

Scripture Lesson

Morning Prayer

Worship through Tithes and Offerings

Offertory—

Announcements

Anthem—Seek Ye the Kingdom Carrie B. Adams

Sermon Some Things Immutable
Rev. E. P. Rogers, Trousdale, Kansas

Hymn—How Gentle God's Commands 69

Benediction.

Program for the afternoon:—

12:30 P. M.—Basket Dinner

2:00 P. M.—Greetings from former pastors and members and visiting friends.

3:00 P.M.—Service of Dedication.

We want to express our thanks to everyone who has helped in any way in the building of the church, through labor or gifts, and to all who are assisting in the services of this day.

WHO AM I?

I am your best servant

I inspire the works of mercy
I carry the Gospel to the world
I make possible Christian Education

I am your best friend

I welcome all, irrespective of position in life
I seek the fallen and cheer the sorrowing
I am friendship, fellowship, and love

I am rich in memories

Memories of covenants made at the altar
Memories of bridal processions
Memories sanctified by tears

I am a builder

I build men with character
I build lives for time and eternity
I build men strong in mind and body

I AM YOUR CHURCH

—Selected

HISTORY OF THE KALVESTA METHODIST CHURCH

A group of Christian people had been meeting for some time at the Kalvesta School house and in 1926 there was organized a Methodist class under the leadership of Rev. E. P. Rogers who was pastor at Cimarron at that time.

The following were chosen as Stewards for the new church:—George Monical, Chairman, Mrs. Zenobia Phelps, Secretary, O. P. Evans, Mrs. D. H. Holden, Gus Norton. The trustees elected were Fred Brown, Leonard Byler, D. H. Holden, M. A. Chapman, Ed Sultz. There were thirty charter members of the church. Of these the following are still members of the church:—Mrs. Susan Baldwin, Mrs. George Evans, Mr. D. H. Holden, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Norton, Mrs. E. B. Phelps, Mrs. Ivan Baldwin.

The church continued to meet at the school house until September 1, 1946 when services were first held in the new church building. The hour of the services was in the afternoon until June, 1946, when it was changed to nine-thirty A. M.

Plans for a church building began under the pastorate of Rev. M. B. Holcomb. In 1944-45 a school building was purchased, and the basement excavated for the new building. After the present pastor came the building was moved to the new church location and remodeled. Much of the work on the building was donated by friends and members. The ground for the building site was donated to the church by Mr. and Mrs. Gus Norton.

The church has been on the same charge as Cimarron except for one year when it was with Jetmore. This was the first year that Rev. H. E. Stipe served as pastor.

The church has been served by the following pastors:

Rev. E. P. Rogers	1926-1927
Rev. A. N. Smith	1927-1928
Rev. H. E. Stipe	1928-1931
Rev. F. E. Rohl	1931-1933
Rev. J. P. White	1933-1935
Rev. L. G. Forman	1935-1937
Rev. F. E. Good	1937-1940
Rev. M. B. Holcomb	1940-1945
Rev. W. F. Ramsdale	1945-