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Madison County
To { Deed.
Trustees of M. E. Church

This indenture made this 16th day of March A.D. 1854 between John A. Pitzer as County Judge of Madison County and State of Iowa of the first part and

Edwin R. Guiberson, John G. Scott, Israel D. Guiberson, Wesley Spurlock, Charles Crane, William F. Hess, William B. Ruby, Daniel C. McNeal & Franklin M. Wilson, Trustees of The Methodist Episcopal Church at Winterset Iowa in trust for the use and purpose as hereinafter mentioned all of said County and State of the other part. Witnesseth that the said John A. Pitzer as County Judge as aforesaid for and in consideration of the sum of fourteen dollars paid into the Treasury of said County at and upon the sealing and delivery of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath given granted - bargained, sold released confirmed and conveyed and by these presents doth give, grant bargain sell release confirm and convey unto them the said Edwin R. Guiberson, John G. Scott, Israel D. Guiberson Wesley Spurlock, Charles Crane, William F. Hess, William B. Ruby - Daniel C. McNeal and Franklin M. Wilson, and their successors, trustees in trust for the uses and purposes herein after mentioned and declared all the estate, right, title, interest, property claim and demand whatsoever either in Law or Equity which he the said John A. Pitzer as County Judge as aforesaid hath in to or upon all and singular a certain lot or piece of land situate lying and being in the town of Winterset in the County of Madison and State of Iowa. To wit: Lot number eight (8) in Block No fourteen (14) containing and laid out for one hundred and thirty two (32) feet in length and sixty six (66) feet in width, together with all and singular the houses woods waters ways privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging or in any wise appertaining. To have and to hold all and singular the above mentioned and described Lot or piece of land situate lying and being as aforesaid together with all and singular the houses, woods, waters ways & privileges thereto belonging or in any wise appertaining unto them the said Trustees and their successors in office forever in trust that they shall erect and build or cause to be erected and built thereon a house or place of worship for the use of the members of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States of America according to the rules and discipline which from time to time may be agreed upon and adopted by the ministers and preachers of the said Church at their general conference in the United States of America & in further trust and confidence that they shall at all times forever hereafter permit such ministers and preachers belonging to the said church as shall from time to time be duly authorized by the General Conference of the ministers and preachers of the said Methodist Episcopal Church or by the or by the annual conferences authorized by the said General Conferences to preach and exhort

God's holy word therein: And the said John A. Pitzer as County Judge as aforesaid for himself and his successors in office doth by these presents warrant and forever defend all and singular the before mentioned and described lot or piece of land with the appurtenances thereto belonging unto them the said Edwin R. Giberson, John G. Scott, Israel D. Giberson Wesley Spurlock Charles Crane William S. Hess William B. Ruby Daniel C. McNeal and Franklin M. Wilson and their successors in office chosen or appointed as aforesaid from the claim or claims of him the said John A. Pitzer as County Judge as aforesaid his heirs and assigns - and from the ~~claims~~ or claims of all persons whatever. In testimony whereof the said John A. Pitzer as said County Judge has hereto set his hand and seal the day and year aforesaid sealed and delivered me.

John A. Pitzer County Judge
[Signature]

Received the day of the date of the above written indenture the consideration therein mentioned in full John A. Pitzer *[Signature]*

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Be it remembered that on the 18th day of March A.D. 1854 personally appeared before me one of the Justices of the Peace in and for the County of Madison and State of Iowa the within named John A. Pitzer County Judge of said County personally known to me to be the identical person who is described in the within deed of trust as grantor and acknowledged the execution of the same to be his voluntary and official act and deed for the uses and purposes therein mentioned and declared. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand the day above written,

[Signature]
Jas. M. Ready
Justice of the Peace.

Filed for record March 27th 1865 at 10 o'clock A.M.

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