

First Methodist) Filed for record the 9th day of Sept A.D. 1918, at 1:30 o'clock P.M.
 Episcopal Church) Jeannette E. Beck, Recorder.
 of Winterset, Ia. to Articles of Re-Incorporation. Fee, \$.90 ✓
 The Public) #2251

We, the undersigned members of the Board of Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church of the Des Moines Conference, in the City of Winterset, County of Madison and State of Iowa, pursuant to action taken by the Fourt Quarterly Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Winterset, Des Moines District, Des Moines Conference, held at Winterset, Iowa, August 10th, 1918, do hereby re-incorporate said church under Chapter Two (2) Title IX of the Code of 1897, and acts amendatory thereto, and assume all of the powers expressly, generally and incidently conferred by said statute.

Article 1.

The name of this corporation shall be the First Methodist Episcopal Church, of Winterset, Iowa, By this name it shall have power to sue and be sued, to contract and be contracted with, and may take by gift, purchase, devise and bequest real and personal property, and hold, manage, sell and convey both real and personal property. All of the property rights of the "Trustees of the M.E. Church in the Town of Winterset, County of Madison and State of Iowa," the title of the present organization as given by its articles of incorporation, shall vest in the corporation as re-incorporated, at the expiration of the corporation as originally incorporated.

Article 11.

The business and power of this corporation shall be subject to the provisions of the discipline and usages and ministerial appointments of the Methodist Episcopal Church, as from time to time authorized and declared by the General Conference of said Church, and the Annual Conference, within whose bounds said corporation is situated.

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Article III.

The affairs of this corporation shall be managed and controlled by a Board of Trustees, the number and election of which shall be according to the provisions of the discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church, as may be from time to time authorized and declared.

Article IV.

The title to all property acquired by this corporation, whether designed for church, parsonage or other purpose, shall be made to the Trustees of said corporation, naming them, and to their successors in office, followed by the words, "In trust for the use and benefit of the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Winterset, Iowa, subject to the discipline, usages, and ministerial appointments of said church, as from time to time authorized and declared, and if sold the proceeds shall be disposed of and used in accordance with the provisions of said discipline."

Article V.

The Trustees of this corporation shall at all times permit such ministers belonging to the Methodist Episcopal Church, as shall from time to time be duly authorized by the General or Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, to preach and expound therein God's Holy Word, to execute the discipline of the Church and to administer the sacrament of the church therein.

Article VI.

This corporation shall commence its corporate existence at the termination of the present corporation and be a re-incorporation thereof, to-wit: September 1st, 1918, and shall continue for a period of fifty years, unless sooner dissolved in manner provided by law.

Article VII.

The principal place of business of this corporation shall be at Winterset in the County of Madison and State of Iowa, and meetings held and business conducted as provided by the discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Article VIII.

These articles of incorporation may be changed or amended by a vote of the majority of the members thereof.

Signed and acknowledged this 31st day of August A.D. 1918.

Chas T. Koser
Chas Rowe
Leo C. Percival
M. C. Shaw
H. B. Wilson
F. S. Hamilton
J. E. Smith
W. O. Lucas
I. E. T. Wilson

State of Iowa, Madison County, SS. On this 9th day of September A.D. 1918, before me appeared Chas. T. Koser, Chas. Rowe, Leo C. Percival, M. C. Shaw, H. B. Wilson, F. S. Hamilton, J. E. Smith, W. O. Lucas & I. E. T. Wilson, to me personally known, who, being by me duly sworn did each say that he is a trustee of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Winterset in the county of Madison and State of Iowa, and that the said instrument was signed and sealed in behalf of said corporation by authority of the Quarterly Conference of said Church, and Chas T. Koser, Chas Rowe, Leo C. Percival, M. C. Shaw, H. B. Wilson, F. S. Hamilton, J. E. Smith, W. O. Lucas, & I. E. T. Wilson and each acknowledged said instrument to be the voluntary act and deed of said corporation, and that said corporation has no corporate seal.

Witness my hand and official seal on the day and date last above written.

D. M. Griswold
Clerk District Court
(District Court Seal)