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# First United Methodist Church of Glendale takes pride in 85 years of Christian service



*From humble beginnings . . .*

First United Methodist Church of Glendale had its beginnings in October of 1903, when 34 devoted Methodists gathered in the Odd Fellows Hall at Wilson and Glendale Avenues with the Rev. Charles R. Norton, their pastor. They worshiped upstairs, over a grocery store. It was truly a "storefront church."

In the years that followed, the congregation built new structures as membership grew. Today 1,700 members worship in a soaring glass and concrete sanctuary at Broadway and Kenwood Street completed in 1961. A landmark in downtown Glendale, it offers a beautiful and holy setting for Sunday worship, concerts, weddings, and the popular "Madonna and Creche Art Festival" during the Advent season.

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This historical supplement  
is prepared in honor of  
our church's 85th anniversary  
which occurs on Oct. 11, 1988.

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## CHARTER MEMBERS

J. W. Brown  
 Mrs. I. E. Brown  
 Lottie Campbell  
 Frank Campbell  
 A. Englehart  
 Leona Englehart  
 H. S. Fawsett  
 Jennie Fawsett  
 S. S. Fawsett  
 C. E. Gulvin  
 H. E. Gulvin  
 Mrs. D. W. Hendershott  
 Frances Hendershott  
 A. S. Hodgson  
 M. E. Hodgson  
 Ellen R. Hall  
 Rev. H. H. Hall

J. A. Inman  
 Mrs. J. A. Inman  
 Lottie Pratt  
 W. A. Pratt  
 M. T. Pratt  
 B. E. Quick  
 Mrs. M. E. Quick  
 Mrs. C. O. Rich  
 H. M. Rich  
 C. E. Russell  
 Mrs. Eunia Russell  
 Mrs. Jennie Russell  
 A. B. Schofield  
 Mrs. A. B. Schofield  
 Miss Lucretia Schofield  
 Florence Thompson  
 Mrs. Mary Turner



First Pastor  
**CHARLES R. NORTON**  
 (b. 1845 - d. 1926)



*Baraca Class (circa 1908-13)*



*First sanctuary (1906)*

Dayton Court and Wilson Avenue

## SENIOR PASTORS THROUGH THE YEARS

Charles R. Norton	1903-1907
N. J. Burton	1907-1908
John F. Humphrey	1908-1913
Bede A. Johnson	1913-1915
B. Dudley Snudden	1915-1918
Charles H. Scott	1918-1919
Clyde M. Crist	1919-1922
Henry I. Rasmus	1922-1924
Lincoln A. Ferris	1924-1926
Will A. Betts	1926-1929
Hardy A. Ingham	1929-1933
William C. Hodgson	1933-1943
Paul F. Huebner	1943-1946
K. Morgan Edwards	1946-1951
Everett W. Palmer	1951-1960
Kenneth A. Carlson	1960-1977
Donald R. Locher	1977-1986
Kenneth L. Heflin	1986-



*Second sanctuary (1917)*

Kenwood Street and Wilson Avenue



*Christian Education Building added (1929)*

Kenwood Street and Wilson Avenue



*J.O.C. Class (1930)  
(Jesus Our Companion)*

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#### BROADWAY PASTORS

Dudley M. Barr	1922-1923
L. F. Millikan	1923-1924
Maurice Johnson	1924-1925
W. L. Thornton	1925-1928
Warren B. Bonner	1928-1929
Henry Alkire	1929-1931
E. E. Wall	1931-1933
G. C. Rector	1933-1936
Alec G. Nichols	1936-1941
Grover C. Ralston	1941-1945
Claude Young	1945-1949
R. Kells Swenerton	1949-1950
Robert Cordell	1950-1952
W. Archie Matson	1952-1958
George W. Mann	1958-1962
Richard W. Sharpe	1962-1965
S. Cromwell Crawford	1965-1966
David Taylor	1966-1969
B. Lothair Green	1969-1971



*Merger with Broadway church  
(1971)*

Broadway Methodist Church  
was organized on Dec. 10, 1922



*Present sanctuary (1961)*

Broadway and Kenwood Street



*Carlson Fellowship Center (1973)*



*Korean congregation  
started (1978)*

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