

Feimsters Jewelers

\$1,000,000 Christmas Sale

Yellow Gold
GENUINE SAPPHIRE
& DIAMOND RING
Reg. \$290.00
\$139

14K Yellow Gold
TWO CARAT
WATERFALL RING
Reg. \$2,150.00
\$999

14K Yellow Gold
1/4 CARAT
DIAMOND
SOLITAIRE
Reg. \$650.00
\$299

14K Yellow Gold
.28 CARAT
8 DIAMOND
RING GUARD
Reg. \$800.00
\$399

14K Yellow Gold
.89 CARAT
18 DIAMOND
SWIRL RING
Reg. \$1,850.00
\$899

14K Yellow Gold
1/4 CARAT
DIAMOND
PENDANT
Reg. \$450.00
\$199.95

14K Yellow Gold
1/2 CARAT
DIAMOND
PENDANT JACKET
Reg. \$450.00
\$199.95

14K Yellow Gold
.82 Carat
Anniversary Ring
Reg. \$1,400.00
\$699

Genuine Ruby or
Sapphire Diamond Ring
Reg. \$300.00
\$149

Diamond
Pendant & Earrings
1/5 Carat Reg. \$250.00
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\$99.95
\$399.95

14K YELLOW SOLID GOLD CHAINS & BRACELETS

SERPENTINE

7" Bracelet Reg. \$17.95 **\$7.99**

18" Neckchain Reg. \$44.95 **\$21.99**

24" Neckchain Reg. \$56.95 **\$27.99**

HERRINGBONE

7" Bracelet Reg. \$44.95 **\$21.99**

18" Neckchain Reg. \$99.95 **\$49.99**

24" Neckchain Reg. \$139.95 **\$69.99**

TRIPLE HERRINGBONE

7" Bracelet Reg. \$99.95 **\$49.99**

18" Neckchain Reg. \$239.95 **\$119.99**

20" Neckchain Reg. \$259.95 **\$129.99**

SOLID ROPE

7" Bracelet Reg. \$159.95 **\$79.99**

18" Neckchain Reg. \$439.95 **\$219.99**

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Tour Of Churches In Mooresville Area Being Sponsored By AAUW Branch

To usher in the Christmas holidays, the Mooresville Branch of the American Association of University Women will sponsor a Tour of Churches on Sunday, December 20, beginning at 2:00 p.m. at Coddle Creek Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church and concluding at the Main Street garden at the Depot.

Other churches included on the tour will be Mooreville Reformed Presbyterian, Broad Street United Methodist, Fieldstone Presbyterian, Central United Methodist and St. Mark's Lutheran.

The public is invited to take part in the complete tour or join others at whatever point is suitable. To add to the spirit and fellowship of Christmas, a brass ensemble, directed by Bruce Boyles and vocal selections by Debbie Szabo, along with Christmas carols by all those attending, will be performed at the conclusion of the tour at the downtown garden. Refreshments will also be served inside the depot.

As early as 1885, people in Mooresville felt a need or desire to organize an Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church here. Eighteen persons were organized into a congregation with the Rev. T.B. Stewart as pastor. Four years later this organization was dissolved because of removal.

In March of 1896 the Rev. W.Y. Love began holding services for the Associate Reformed Presbyterians once a month in the Methodist church. Several people took service and found that at least 31 people were interested in establishing an A.R.P. church in this area. These people signed a petition to First Presbyterian, Presbytery appointed a committee consisting of Dr. R.G. Miller from Sardis Church, Dr. W.W. Orr from Charlotte and Dr. J.H. Pressly from Statesville to visit Mooresville and to determine the advisability of organizing an A.R.P. church. On Nov. 12, a church was organized with 31 members. R.G. Willis and W.C. Patterson were elected elders and Walter Willis was chosen to be a deacon.

They began worshipping in the Academy which stood on the corner of West Moore Avenue and Academy Street. The first communion service was held on the 5th Sabbath of Nov. 1897. A lot on North Main Street was purchased for \$200. However, it was decided not to build a church until October of 1897.

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The Rev. Love began a campaign to raise \$1,500 for a church building and \$1,000 was subscribed. The contract for a church building was received August 27. Low bidder was J.V. Orndorff of Charlotte for \$1,300. Construction was begun in 1897 and completed in January 1898. The first service in the new church was held January 2.

On Saturday evening, March 19, 1898, the church was dedicated and set apart to the service of God. The sermon was preached by Dr. R.G. Miller and the dedication prayer was led by the Rev. W.Y. Love.

The total cost of the building and furnishings was about \$2,000 and was paid in full at the time of the dedication.

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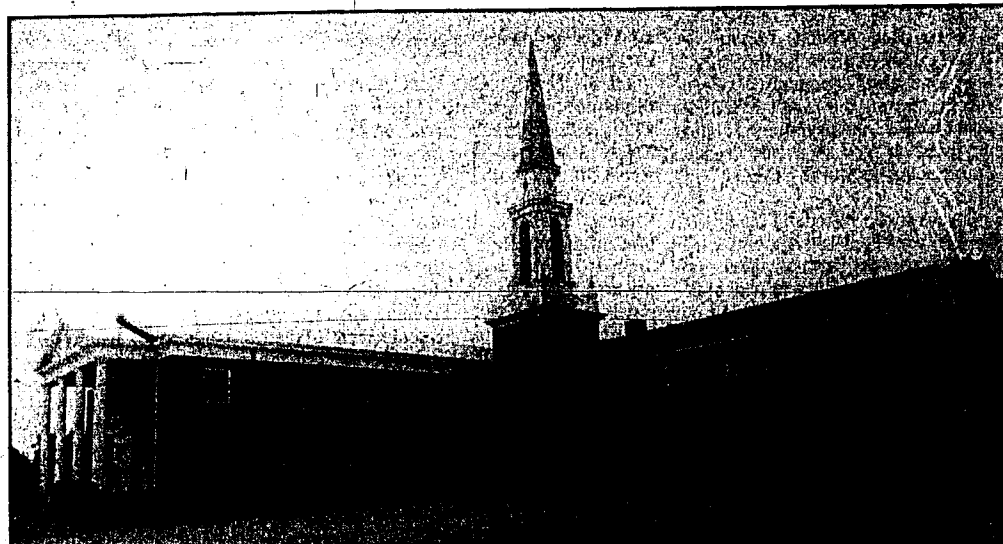
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Mooresville A.R.P. Church First Organized In 1885

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In September 1909 the town board requested 46 feet from the rear of the church for a water tower. Since the church property was made to the trustees of Synod, the request was refused.

In 1910 money was appropriated from the treasury to buy literature for the mission at Brawley school. No other mention was made about the mission. Also, the minister's salary was raised to \$400. In 1911 the session instructed Branch Smith to purchase three dozen Bible Songs and two dozen Psalters. Later that year he was instructed to buy two dozen Bible Songs and one dozen Psalters.

In 1912 Barger Bros. Lumber Co. asked to rent the back end of the church lot for storing lumber. They agreed to build a 6 foot high fence, well built and of good lumber across the back end of the church lot.

In 1914 E.C. Deaton was elected teacher of the class for men and women. S.V. Brown was elected assistant superintendent of the Sabbath school. E.H. Miller was elected treasurer, succeeding B.W. Pressly.

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The 40th anniversary of the church was celebrated at homecoming on Nov. 15, 1934. Additions were made to the manse and renovations were made to the church in 1963.

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