

Asbury Methodist Church – 1893
Nokesville, Virginia
Source – “A Past to Preserve”
Prince William County Historical Commission

A small, one- story, rural, frame structure, Asbury Methodist Church is covered with weatherboards and rests on a red sandstone foundation. Three bays long, the church has a double front door with overhead lights and a box cornice with gabled returns. There is a small frame addition at the rear. The cemetery to the left of the church contains several Civil War graves. Civil War veteran Newton Sayers and Annie Allen Sayers of Aden donated almost five acres of land for building of what was then called Asbury Methodist Episcopal Church South. Newton Sayers was also one of the head carpenters in the building of the church, along with Frank Colvin. They were assisted by John and Haywood Herndon, who donated materials for the construction. The church pews were made from local black walnut by Sayers and his five daughters. Asbury Church has recently been refurbished and is one of the few remaining nineteenth-century churches in Prince William County.

A picture of the church can be seen at
<http://www.pwcvabooks.com/pwcvabooksimages.htm>

CEMETERY REGISTER FORM

Cemetery Name: Asbury Church

Latitude / Longitude: N38 38.820W077 32.537

Location: Fleetwood Drive

Classification: MunicipalReligious Family Civil War Private

Status: Abandoned Maintained Not in Use Currently Used

Condition: Excellent Good Fair Poor

Approximate size:

Approximate Number of Burials:

Markers: Tombstone Fieldstone Unmarked

Surnames Listed on Markers:

1. Austin, William 9 Jun 1853 – 15 Sep 1900
2. Baber, John William 16 Apr 1894 – 11 Jun 1964
3. Baber, Lillian R. 6 Nov 1904 – 14 Jan 1965
4. Baggott, Elsie May 3 Feb 1901 – 22 Feb 1922
5. Baggott, Eugene b. 17 Feb 1906 – 9 Jul 1906
6. Baggott, Pauline Caton 25 Oct 1910 – 5 May 1989
7. Baggott, Thomas E. 16 Dec 1879 – 30 Apr 1935

8. Clemen, Alice Wray 11 Mar 1886 – 3 Jan 1950
9. Clemen, Erwin A. 13 Jan 1918 – 15 Jun 1976
10. Clemen, Warren P. 24 Oct 1923 – 17 Nov 1947
11. Clemen, Theodore 18 Sep 1875 – 23 Sep 1944
12. Clemen, Wray T. 25 Nov 1914 – 17 Jun 1948
13. Crump, George D. 14 Jan 1888 – 12 Dec 1975
14. Crump, Lloyd S. 20 Mar 1885 – 23 Sep 1959
15. Devander, Clark 15 Jun 1908 – 15 Jun 1908
16. Early, Ranson Owen 17 Feb 1926 – 6 Oct 1968
17. Farrell, Mary E. 11 Feb 1904 – 19 Mar 19—
18. Herbert, Rebecca Sayers 21 Jul 1890 – 9 Sep 1984
19. Herndon, Eliza 1 Aug 1920 age 95
20. Herndon, Georgia A. 25 Jun 1849 – 8 Aug 1932
21. Herndon, Haywood 18 Mar 1840 – 13 Nov 1932
22. Herndon, John H. 15 Jun 1837 – 17 Mar 1904
23. Holmes, F. W. Jul 1834 – Feb 1899
24. Holmes, Mary F. 8 May 1829 – 17 Feb 1899
25. Houghton, Minnie Baggott – 23 May 1882 – 17 Jun 1983
26. Jones, Anna B. 9 Aug 1915 – 28 Jan 1977
27. Jones, Fred 12 Oct 1915 – 28 Jan 1977
28. Marshall, Elsie Mae infant of J. E. & Ola
29. May, Dawson A. 22 Dec 1905 – 27 Oct 1973
30. May, Ethel R. 9 Aug 1919 – 26 Feb 1940
31. Miller, Helen Louise 1 Feb 1930 – 16 Jun 1969
32. Partlow, Narcissa 24 Jan 1871 – 17 Nov 1962
33. Ritenour, Asenith Elizabeth – 17 Jun 1879 – 18 Sep 1950
34. Ritenour, Elmer Lee 5 Dec 1899 – 24 Oct 1915
35. Ritenour, Gordy 21 Oct 1915 – 24 Oct 1915
36. Ritenour, Harry 6 Sep 1921 – 27 Sep 1921
37. Ritenour, Jody 28 Nov 1918 – 30 Nov 1918
38. Ritenour, Lillie H. 12 Jun 1905 – 26 Jun 1992
39. Ritenour, Martin V. 8 Jan 1880 – 9 Oct 1924
40. Sayers, Benjamin Joseph 5 Dec 1884 – 13 Mar 1963
41. Sayers, Newton 22 Feb 1840 – 15 Mar 1916
42. Weeks, Angeline 1869 – 1938
43. Weeks, Leonard 25 Oct 1889 – 5 Feb 1959
44. Weeks, Margaret Virginia – 22 Jul 1901 – 2 Nov 1992
45. Weeks, Wiley 1863 – 1932
46. Wright, Dorsey L. 1873 – 1935
47. Wright, Gertrude L. 1882 – 1943
48. Wright, John W. 28 Jul 1902 – 10 Jun 1903
49. Wright, Walter F. 7 Dec 1912 – 21 Oct 1932
50. Wright, William M. 22 Mar 1922 – 24 Jun 1944

Comments:

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