

**Reisterstown United Methodist Church
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Wesley Chapel By Laws

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March 25th.

By Laws of the Trustees "Wesley Chapel"

" Whereas in all well regulated bodies, to secure harmony
" in their acts, by laws are essential.

" And whereas by an act of the General

" Assembly of Maryland passed March 27th - 13th 1867 - did incorporate

" as a body Politic the following named persons as trustees of "Wesley
" Chapel, Episcopal Methodist Church (South) at Reisterstown, Baltimore

" County - William Dwyer - Johnson Gardner - Jesse L. Bennett.

" Thomas K. Haughey - Elias C. Stockdale - John H. Gore - Daniel

" B. Banks and Andrew Banks - And by the same name to have

" perpetual succession, and be able and capable to sue and be sued

" implead and be impleaded in any court of law or equity in this

" State or else where, and to make and have a common Seal, and the

" same to break alter or renew at pleasure - And the said members

" did then and there agree upon the plan of perpetuating the succession

" of said trustees, and of ascertaining the proper Qualifications

" and establish the Articles or plan herein after mentioned

" So Wit - Sec^{to} 1st - Whenever a vacancy or vacancies shall happen

" by death resignation - removal or ceasing to be a member of the

" Episcopal Methodist Church (South) according to the rules and

" discipline of said Church - Then and in such case it shall be the

" duty of the stationed Minister or Preacher in charge, who shall have

" the pastoral oversight as aforesaid to call a meeting of the remaining

" trustees as conveniently as may be and when so met - the Minister or

" Preacher shall proceed to nominate one or more person or persons

" to fill the place or places of him or them, whose office or offices has or have

" been vacated as aforesaid - And the said trustees so assembled

" shall proceed to elect and by a Majority of votes appoint the person or persons

" so nominated to fill such vacancy or vacancies in order to keep up the

" Number of eight (8) Trustees forever -