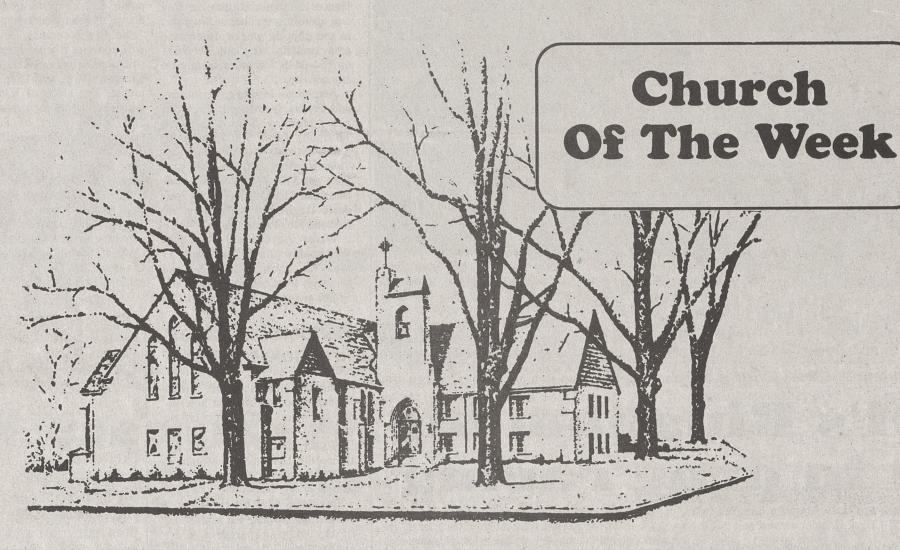
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111 E. King Street, Kings Mountain, NC

The Presbyterian Church of Kings Mountain was established with eighteen members in 1884 with the Reverend E.P. Davis as pastor. During early years services were held one Sunday a month in the ARP and Methodist Church buildings. In 1887 a building was erected at the corner of King Street and Railroad Avenue with a manse close by. This was followed in 1906 by a new building at the corner of Mountain Street and Piedmont Avenue and in 1917 by a new manse at King and Carpenter Streets. Pastors were shared by Long Creek, Shiloh, Hepsibah and Bessemer City Churches until 1991 when a fulltime pastor was called by the ninety-four members. In 1936 Mrs. C.E. Neisler gave a lot with a house suitable for a manse at the corner of King and Gaston Streets. A new church was erected and dedicated in 1937 with a membership of 301. In 1950 the old house was torn down and a modern home built on the site. The same year a recreation building was added.

Under the leadership of many dedicated pastors, elders and deacons all church programs have been carried on...Sunday school, men and women organizations, Boy and Girl Scouts, youth programs, missions and community service. Church membership now numbers 280.

Ministers who have served: Rev. E.P. Davis, 1884-1887; Rev. E.E. Erwin, April-Dec. 1888; Rev. E.A. Sample, 1889-1892; Student W.L. Walker, 3 months in 1893; Rev. J.K. Hall, 1893-1894; Rev. R.J. Mcllwaine, 1896-1898; Rev. J.R. Millard, 1899-1902; Rev. J.M. Forbis, 1903-1908; Rev. S.S. Oliver, 1910-1912; Rev. R.A. Miller, 1913-1914; Rev. C.L. Bragas, 1914-1915; Rev. J.E. Berryhill, 1916-1918; Rev. Fred J. Hay, 1919-1922; Rev. I.S. McElroy, D.D., 1923-1931; Rev. Richard C. Wilson, Jr., 1931-1934; Rev. P.D. Patrick, D.D., 1935-1958; Dr. Paul K. Ausley, 1958-1974; Rev. Gary L. Bryant, 1974-1981; Dr. Eric M. Faust, 1982-Present.

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