

Introduction to the Sections  
1828 - 1883

Trinity United Methodist Church  
Tallahassee, Florida



# Preface

## The Quarterly Conference Minutes 1828-1883 Methodist Episcopal Church Tallahassee, Florida

This very well-kept hard bound book is one of the most-important documents in the archives of the Trinity United Methodist Church in Tallahassee. Issues presented in the minutes parallel those same topics being experienced by the new and growing community in the early 1820's. The promulgation of Methodism in Middle Florida, the area between the Suwannee and Apalachicola Rivers, bounded in step with the growth of the Florida Territory. Florida as a state did not come until March 3, 1845. It was this same year and month that the Florida Conference of the Methodist Church was founded, with the initial conference in Tallahassee.

The Minutes began in April 1828, four years after the establishment of what became the Methodist Episcopal Church of Tallahassee. Its designation as a *Station* in 1828 gave the local Church a full-time minister and the need to document its proceedings according to the protocol established by the Methodist Church. Thus, the documentation of the affairs of our local Methodist Episcopal Church was established in the form of Quarterly Conference Minutes. Throughout the Minutes there was no mention of the local Church being called Trinity. This title of our Church did not come into usage until the late 1800's.

The history of our Trinity United Methodist Church has been written by many authors through the years of its existence. The most recent comprehensive presentation of its history is found in the 1999 publication *Trinity United Methodist Church, Tallahassee's First Church, 1824-1999*, Linda H. Yates, Editor.

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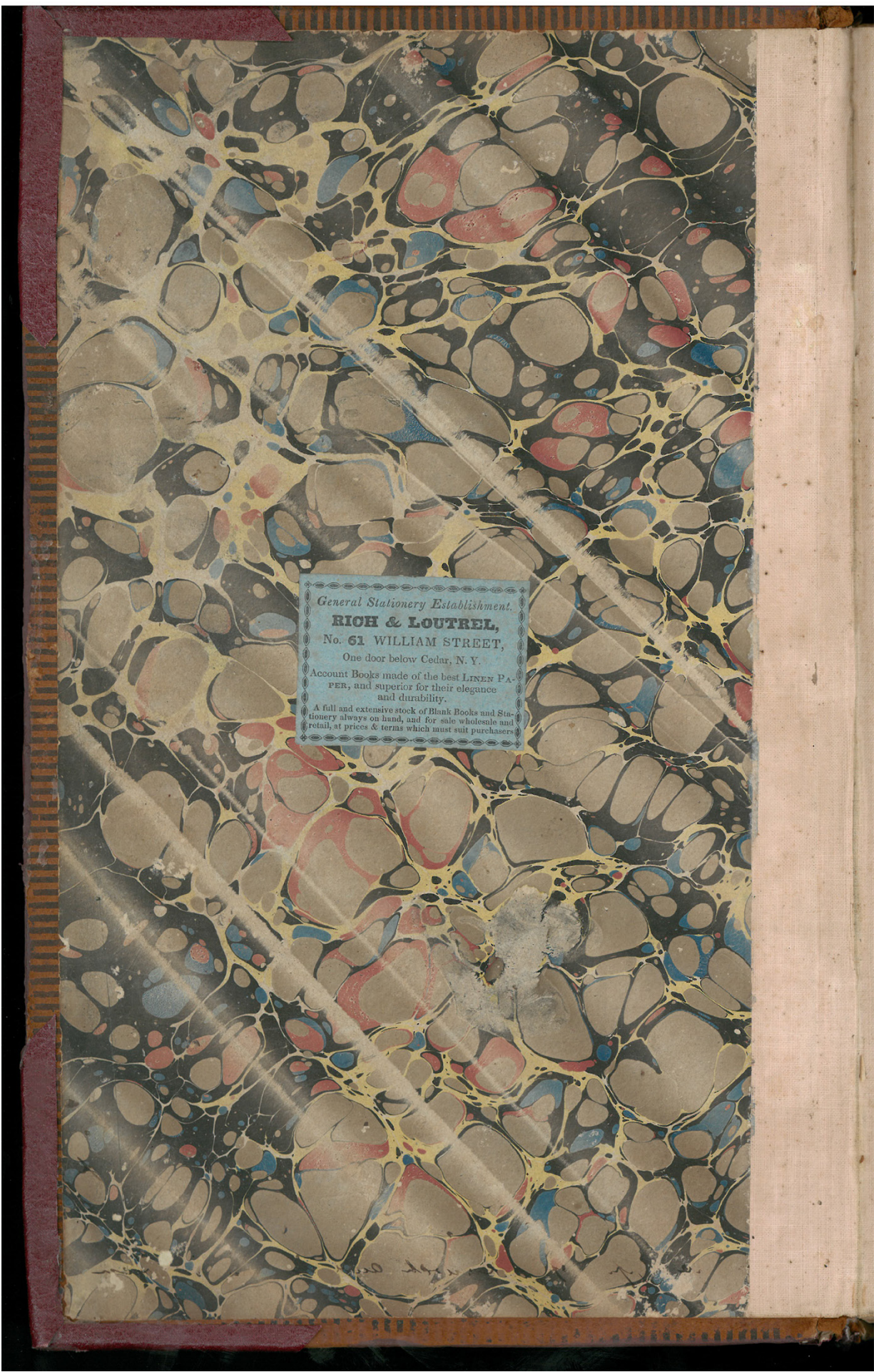
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