afternoon a Men's chorus from the University of Illinois and the pastor and a large representation from the First A. M. E. of Champaign were present. A large sum of money was donated by members and friends. The dedication was the greatest event in the history of the Church.

The new church was a brick building with beautiful stained glass windows. There was an auditorium, lecture room, choir room, often called the Baraca room because of its use as a Sunday School room for the Baraca class which had an enrollment of 100 at one time. Bethel was the first church in the Twin Cities to have a Baraca-Philathea affiliation with the National Baraca-Philathea Bible Study group.

In 1895 at a church conference, it was voted to furnish the church with pews, a new furnace, altar rail and 100 folding chairs. On October 13, 1911, under Rev. George W. Jones' leadership, the church voted to borrow $1400 to make extensive repairs on the church. Trustees were elected and empowered to borrow the money needed to make improvements. Those elected were Archie Penny, A. R. Lee, P. J. Carey, B. J. Woodruff, and George Pope. Rev. George W. Jones was the pastor. A loan of $1500 was made by Fred Price. An architect was employed and the contract given to A. W. Stoolman. The Church was improved by excavating under the Lecture Room, re-finishing the basement, adding a dining room, kitchen, toilets, and coal room. Water and electricity were installed; a new flue was put in; the doors between the auditorium and Lecture Room, pulpit and loft enlarged; tie rods to protect the roof were added.

In 1915, during the pastorate of Dr. H. W. Jameson the reed-pipe organ was installed. The choir loft was enlarged as was the