## **TIMELINE for Congregation/Buildings**

1842: William Perry arrives, Purchases property, Provides location for worship services (nondenominational services begin) **1847:** First structure erected at present site (first building) June 1865: Federal occupation begins (reconstruction starts), Freedmen's Bureau arrives **1866:** Congress passes Military **Reconstruction Act** George W. Smith arrives (Loyal League/Radical Republican activist/carpetbagger) March 1867: Voting rights denied Whites; given to Freedmen (lawlessness grows) Murders and outrages begin March 1867: Voting rights denied Whites; given to Freedmen (lawlessness grows) Murders and outrages begin **1868:** Missionary Baptist congregation established by Rev. Duncan May 1868: Knights of the Rising Sun organized by Conservative leaders Lawlessness, torture, assignation, Aug 1868: and burnings abound (KRS) Blacks arm themselves to protect church Knights visit church after murdering Albert Browning (Freedman) **Sept 30, 1868:** R.P Crump becomes a candidate for membership in KRS Oct 4, 1868: Smith murdered (KRS) Oct - Nov, 1868: first structure burned during lawless period (exact date unknown) General George P. Buell arrives Dec 1868: Arrests of stockade defendants begins (KRS) Freedmen's Bureau reduces role to education only Jan 1869: Perry assassinated May 24, 1869: Stockade Trial begins August 19, 1869: Stockade Trial ends Oct. 2, 1869: Commission's findings made public March 30, 1870: President Grant signs Bill ending Reconstruction in Texas **May 1871:** Federal troops withdrawn **1883:** Land deeded to the congregation by Mr. L.S. Schluter,

Present structure erected