Fun Fact, August 9, 2023

Question: Which diocesan church was first housed in an early stone schoolhouse, purchased and refitted for church services?

Clue: Without a permanent rector, neighboring clergy from Pennsylvania helped out in the early years.

Answer: In December 1835, a group of Brandywine Hundred residents met in Talley Schoolhouse to discuss plans for starting an Episcopal Church. "The following February, they bought the schoolhouse from Eli B. Talley, in whose family it had been for many years, and fitted it up for church services. Four months later — June 11 — it was consecrated as Grace Church by Bishop Onderdonk."

Quotation from *The Episcopal Church in Delaware 1785 – 1954* by Charles A. Silliman

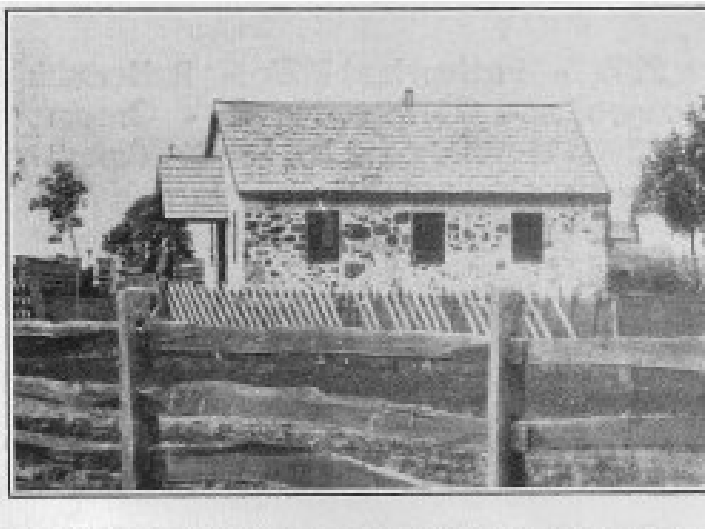


Image: Picture of "Old Grace Church" on Naaman's Road one-half mile east of Perry's Tavern. This structure is no longer standing! From Crace Church website More information