Historical Marker - L1226A - First Baptist Church (Marker ID#:L1226A)



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Significant Date:

Statehood Era (1815-1860)

Registry Year: 1985 Erected Date: 1986

Marker Location

Address: 305 North Superior Street

City: Marshall

State: MI ZipCode:

County: Calhoun

Township: Marshall

Lat: 42.27156100 / Long: -84.96306800

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First Baptist Church

The Reverend Thomas Z.R. Jones, a traveling missionary, began visiting the Marshall area in 1838. On January 15, 1840, he helped organize the First Baptist Church of Marshall with eight members. The group erected this church in 1850-51. They enlarged and remodeled it in 1876 with plans provided by Benjamin J. Bartlett of Chicago. The handsome Romanesque church, now the oldest church edifice in the city, features roundedarch stained glass windows and an early example of a modified Akron (semicircular) seating plan.

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