

**Historical Marker - L1695 - First Presbyterian Church / First Presbyterian Church
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First Presbyterian Church

In February 1837 the Reverend Calvin Clark, a circuit riding pastor sent by the American Home Missionary Society, met with twenty-four persons and organized the Albion Presbyterian Church. The first church was built in 1840 on the corner of Clinton and Erie Streets. In 1857 the congregation erected a new church on this site; it burned in 1873. The third church, completed in 1879, also burned, and the present one was built in 1884.

Significant Date:

Statehood Era (1815-1860)

Registry Year: 1989 **Erected Date:** 1992

Marker Location

Address: 305 E. Porter

City: Albion

State: MI **ZipCode:**

County: Calhoun

Township: Albion

Lat: 42.24375800 / **Long:** -84.74925700

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The First Presbyterian Church, built on this site in 1858, burned in February 1873. Detroit architect Elijah E. Myers was immediately commissioned to plan a new church, which was completed in 1879. (Myers also designed Michigan's present state capitol.) In 1883 fire again ravaged the church. The Romanesque Revival building's shell and two stained-glass windows were saved and incorporated into the present church, which was dedicated on August 10, 1884.