# Historical Marker - L850B - First (Park) Congregational Church (Marker ID#:L850B)



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# Significant Date:

Civil War and After (1860-1875)

Registry Year: 1980 Erected Date: 1985

#### **Marker Location**

Address: 10 East Park Place NE

City: Grand Rapids

**State:** MI ZipCode:

County: Kent

Township: Grand Rapids

Lat: 42.96396300 / Long: -85.66514300

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## First (Park) Congregational Church

On September 18, 1836, twenty-two persons founded one of the first Protestant congregations in Grand Rapids. Initially a Presbyterian parish, it was reorganized under the Congregational polity in 1839. The congregation occupied a former Roman Catholic chapel from 1842 to 1869. The present brick Gothic structure, completed in 1869, is the second oldest existing church building in the city. Additions were made in 1916 and 1950. The church was listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1982.

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