# Historical Marker - L1920 - First Congregational Church / First Congregational Church (Marker ID#:L1920)



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# Significant Date:

Industry and Invention (1875-1915)

Registry Year: 1994 Erected Date: 1995

#### **Marker Location**

Address: 9141 Hartland, North of Center

City: Fenton

State: MI ZipCode: 48430

**County:** Livingston **Township:** Tyrone

Lat: 42.74168100 / Long: -83.74457500

Web URL:

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## First Congregational Church

The Congregational Church of Tyrone grew out of the Methodist Episcopal church that organized here in 1845. Itinerant ministers called circuit riders served what was known as the Tyrone or Cranston Class. In 1874 the class split over where to build a new church. The faction that wanted a church in Tyrone Center reorganized in 1876 as Congregationalists under the leadership of the Reverend William H. Osborn of Hartland. Three years later the present church was built.

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This country church, built by Congregationalists in 1879, contains architectural elements popular during the late Victorian era. The decorative bargeboard and finial on the vestibule peak and the gabled window caps add a touch of elegance to the otherwise modest building. By 1918 both the Methodist and Congregational churches in Tyrone faced financial difficulties and merged, forming a Presbyterian society in 1920. The new society continued to worship in this building.