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St. John's Presbyterian Church

On April 27, 1919, thirty-nine people met in the First Presbyterian Church on Woodward Avenue and organized St. John's Presbyterian Church. Reverend John W. Lee, a field missionary, led the formation of the church to serve Detroit's growing black population. St. John's was the first African-American Presbyterian congregation in Michigan. The first place of worship was located at Madison and Dubois Streets. In 1936 churchwoman Anne Lewis led the establishment of the St. John's child care center. In 1940 the congregation moved to a church at Clinton and Joseph Campau Streets. In the 1960s government-sponsored "urban renewal" projects forced the congregation to move to a new location. The first service in the present church was held on Christmas Day 1966.

Significant Date:

Two World Wars and the Depression (1915-1945)

Registry Year: 1990 **Erected Date:** 1991

Marker Location

Address: 1961 E. Lafayette Blvd.

City: Detroit

State: MI **ZipCode:**

County: Wayne

Township:

Lat: 42.33986100 / **Long:** -83.02840600

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