

From "City Pastors and People"

The congregation of the Fourth Universalist Society is making preparations for the dedication of the pretty and attractive new church which has been building for them on Quincy street, near Reid avenue. The date fixed by the committee is June 10, and unless some unexpected delay occurs the services will take place then. The congregation and the residents of the vicinity are much pleased with the appearance of the new building. It is a modest brick structure, with red stone and terra cotta trimmings, and will be very cozy and trim like. It has a seating capacity of about 500. Sufficient room has been left in the rear to make additions when the needs of the society shall require it. The cost of the building and the grounds will be about \$14,000, of which about \$10,000 has been paid. The pews are circular and are of handsome design in cherry. At the dedication services some of the most eminent divines in the Universalist denomination will take part. The Rev. Drs. Canfield, Bolles, Gunnison, Fay, Pullman, Taber and others have been secured. The society has prospered beyond the expectation of its founders, even under the disadvantages of a small and inconvenient hall. In the new church its numbers will be greatly augmented, and its prospects will be very bright. The Rev. Abram Conklin, the pastor, will probably occupy the pulpit on Sundays during the Summer months, both morning and evening, taking his vacation, if any, later in the season. The Sunday school of the Fourth Universalist Church will join with the Sunday school of the Church of Our Father [First Universalist], Grand avenue and Lefferts place, in the independent Universalist parade.

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