

Universalist Church

The Universalist Society was organized in 1881 under the leadership of Amos H. Prescott, Dean Burgess, and Judge Ezra Graves. Prior to that date Universalists worshipped in Mohawk.

The first minister was Rev. J. J. Brayton, who preached in the courthouse before and during the erection of the present edifice in Park Avenue. Members also worshipped in the Schermer Opera House.

The cornerstone of the present church was laid in 1882 and the building was completed in 1883. At the time the spire overlooked corn fields and farmland; today it overlooks the business section.

The present minister is Rev. Thomas Turrell.

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