

THE FIRST UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY OF ALLEGANY

was organized Feb. 10, 1872. Nathan A. Dye, Charles Soule, and David Thurber, trustees. The Rev. Isaac George, of Dunkirk, was hired to preach occasionally for a year. Meetings were held at first in the Presbyterian House, and afterwards in Good Templars' Hall, over D. Phelps' store. In 1875, Rev. Benjamin Brunning was hired to preach every alternate Sunday, and he resided here and continued as pastor of the society a year, when he removed to Niagara County. No regular pastor of the society has been employed since he left. No meetings of this society have been held for worship for about two years.

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