[Newark, Wayne Co. N.Y.]

The First Universalist Society of Newark was organized August 7, 1837, with forty-nine members. The same year a brick edifice was erected at a cost of \$5,000. The church was legally organized in May, 1842, by D. K. [Day Kellogg] Lee, with twenty-one members, and the house of worship was used until January, 1871, when it was sold. That year the present structure was built at an expense of \$15,000, and dedicated March 13, 1872, the first pastor officiating being Rev. George B. Stocking. The pastors of the old church were Revs. Kneeland Townsend, Henry Roberts, D. K. Lee, E. W. Locke, J. J. Austin, D. C. [DeWitt Clinton] Tomlinson, C. A. [Charles Augustus] Skinner, S. L. Rorapaugh [Stephen L. Roripaugh], A. [Alanson] Kelsey, R. [Richmond] Fiske, L. C. Brown [Lewis Cresaba Browne], C. [Charles] Fleuhrer, and W. B. Randolph. The society has about sixty members under the pastoral care of Rev. James P. Curtis.

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