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First Methodist Episcopal Church

The origins of the First United Methodist Church can be traced to 1831, when preacher Elijah Pilcher arrived in “Jacksonburgh” to serve the town’s growing Methodist community. Services were held around town until a small church was erected in 1850. The congregation built a larger church at the present site in 1868. In 1922 Detroit architect W. E. N. Hunter designed the current Neo-Gothic structure around the 1868 church, which is still visible in the sanctuary. A larger pipe organ and the Virginia and Katherine Hayes memorial window were installed at that time, donated by businessman C. B. Hayes. Prominent members also included W. A. Foote, co-founder of Consumers Power Company. The church was enlarged yet again in 1954.

Significant Date:

Civil War and After (1860-1875)

Registry Year: 2006 **Erected Date:** 2006

Marker Location

Address: 275 West Michigan Ave.

City: Jackson

State: MI **ZipCode:** 49201

County: Jackson

Township: Summit

Lat: 42.24704094 / **Long:** -84.41082358

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