

Twinsburg Congregational Church
Twinsburg, Summit County

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9815 Newton Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio

TWINSBURG CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Twinsburg, Summit County, Ohio.

Owner: Twinsburg Congregational Church.

Date of Erection: 1831.

Architect: Not known.

Builder: Alling, Herrick & Dodge on Committee.

Present Condition: Good.

Number of Stories: One.

Materials of Construction: Frame, stone foundation, shingle roof.

Other Existing Records: None.

Additional Data: (See following page).

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Project No. 0-2-9 - TWINSBURG CONG. CHURCH, Twinsburg, Ohio, Summit County

The first Congregational Society of Twinsburg was incorporated by the State Legislature December 27, 1830, more than eight years after the church was organized.

The first building used was a log school house built on the square in 1822 and used for school, town house, and church. The timber was brought for a two story building, the school below and the church above, but a town meeting voted that no public building should be put on the square. Yet it was finally built there, one story high. It was twice moved and then torn down. A Congregational Church and school building combined was built in 1831 and occupied January 18, 1832. The \$700 was raised by Rev. Samuel Bissell. Later it was used for a town hall and still stands on the east side of the park. It was built by volunteer labor. It was 60 ft. by 30 ft. and was used by the church until the present building was erected.

After the churches reunited in 1843 the feeling increasingly prevailed that there should be a new house of worship. Between March 19, 1846 and Sept. 20, 1847, there were seven votes of acceptance of different sites, the Hackston place, the Scott place, the present location, the site of the present Methodist Church, the Alexander place, and the public square. Finally the present location was bought of Zeno Parmelee for \$200. Lewis Alling, Justus P. Herrick, and John W. Dodge were the building committee.

The money, \$3300, was raised by selling pews. The Church was dedicated in November, 1848. It was voted to inclose the church with a fence with two gates in front. In August, 1908 the church was redecorated and painted inside. In 1913 about \$1600 was spent in reconstructing the basement, putting in water, closets, a kitchen, etc.

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Congregational Church
Twinsburgh, Ohio

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Owner (or Custodian) Twinsburgh Society

Date of Erection Built about 1830

Architect

Builders Lewis Alling, Justus T. Herrick and John W.
Dodge.

Present Condition In good condition. Has been redeco-
rated and additions have been added.

Numbers of Stories One story

Materials of Construction Frame. Stone foundation
Shingle roof.

Other Existing Records: Six photographs
One page of history

Additional Data:

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