Wesleyan Methodist Church

During the summer of 1936, the Rev. E. W. Zuber, pastor of the Pittsford Wesleyan Methodist Church, arranged for a tent meeting in Hudson to extend the Wesleyan work. The Rev. Mr. Groves serves as evangelist.

On November 1, 1936, ten charter members joined the church. The first officers were elected November 5, 1936.

After a short time, the group moved to the East side to a store building located on one of the lots now used by the M & S Manufacturing Company.

The Rev. L. H. Mayfield was the first resident pastor and the second minister for the church.

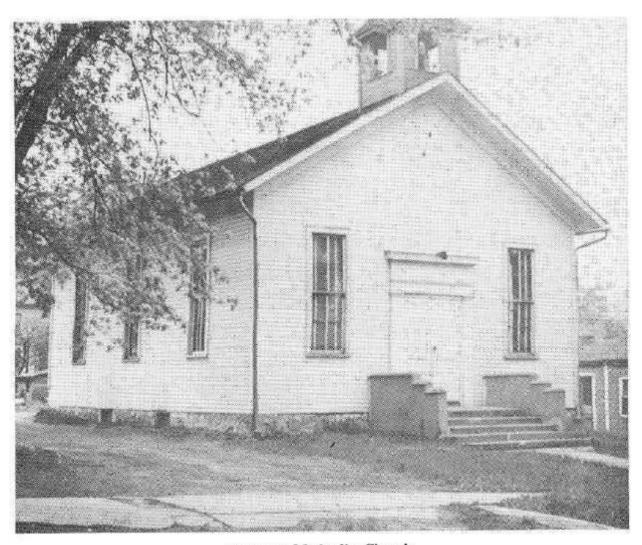
In 1938, a need for a larger church became apparent. A house at 138 Lafayette was purchased. The ground floor was used for the church and the second floor provided a parsonage.

In 1942, while the Rev. Carl Coffey was serving as pastor, the Free Methodist Church on North Market Streets was purchased. Considerable improvements and repairs to the building were made through 1953. During this period the original parsonage was purchased at 215 Pleasant Street.

Attendance was increased after 1953 with Rev. G. E. Miller as pastor and through his efforts a site for a new church had been purchased, the old Lincoln School property on the corner of Hill and Wood Streets.

In 1964, the new Wesleyan Methodist Church held its first service.

The building has a modern entrance of glass and double doors. Dark mahogany paneling is used at the front with a wide stage for the choir and altar area. An arched ceiling of Southern pine, supported by massive, laminated arches, provides a striking appearance. There is seating capacity for 352 people. The exterior of the church is of modern brick and sandstone.



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