W. Bickle, all of whose memories are revered and who helped to lay broad and deep the foundations of the moral and religious life of this community.

The First Church The first Church building provided by this congregation which stood on the corner of Merrick and McNab Streets, was called the "Stone Church." That structure was commenced in 1846, and such was the repugnance on the part of the Trustees to going into debt that only as the money was secured did the building progress, and it was therefore not until 1851 that the Church, entirely free of debt, was opened for divine service.

The Trustees were Edward Jackson, Dennis Moore, John Taylor, Thomas Taylor and William Orr.



The above is a copy of an engraving taken at that period.