

Ohio United Presbyterian Church began originally as a new congregation known as the Flaugherty's Run Congregation. Services were held outside in a tent or in a nearby barn if the weather was too inclement. Sometime in the 1820's, under reorganization by the General Assembly of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, the name of the church was changed to the Associate Congregation of Ohio. (The name "Ohio" comes from the proximity of the church to the Ohio River and the importance the river played in the economy and lives of the people who lived in the area at that time). On December 21, 1829, David Scott sold one acre of Zion Hill to the trustees of the Associate Congregation of Ohio for the purpose of building a permanent church building a establishing a cemetery next to it. The church building that was erected in 1831 was made of wood with a stone foundation. It was painted white to give it a clean, bright appearance outside. It stood on what is now the corner of Longvue Avenue and Maratta Road. In the summer, especially when the weather is dry, the outline of the foundation of that original building can still be seen in the ground. There is a stone marker in the ground that marks the site of the original church.

Due to the expansion of the congregation over the years, it was eventually decided to build a larger building and in the winter of 1952 a groundbreaking ceremony was held to formally begin construction of the current church building, and it was completed in May of 1954. Again in 1957 the congregation realized that more expansion of the building was needed so an addition was added to the existing sanctuary and an education wing was added. In 1971 a new manse was built, which sits across Longvue Avenue from the church.

God has richly blessed the congregation over the years and they have been served by many wonderful ministers over the years.

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