

Buffalo United Presbyterian Church, Claysville, Washington, Pennsylvania

According to a manual of the former United Presbyterian Church of North America (UPCNA), a Buffalo Presbyterian Church of Washington, PA, was organized in 1778 as an Associate Presbyterian Church (APC). The congregation divided into North and South Buffalo churches in 1809. The North Buffalo church entered the UPCNA in 1858, and continues as the North Buffalo United Presbyterian Church, Washington, PA. This congregation has not deposited records with us.

The South Buffalo congregation used Claysville, PA, as its mailing address, entered the UPCNA in 1858, and continues as the Claysville United Presbyterian Church. This congregation has deposited session minutes, 1887–1932, with us (accession # 03 0425u, 0.5 cubic feet). Neither of these two churches has been known as the “Buffalo Church” since 1809, and without more research we cannot tell which of these, if either, is the church you mentioned. According to published national records, there were at least six other “Buffalo Presbyterian” churches in Pennsylvania in at least two separate denominations. Without a township index, we cannot determine which of these might be the church in Hopewell Township. Without the name of the town used by a church as its mailing address, we cannot look a church up in our catalogs.

Both congregations continue as active congregations of the Presbyterian Church (USA). You may wish to contact them directly for whatever additional information they may be able to provide. Contact:

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