

Baptist Parsonage Site

21 Maple Street

42° 19'51.43"N 73° 05'05.01"W elevation 1230 feet

The **Baptist Parsonage**, a New England Greek Revival style house, was built in approximately 1850 when North Becket experienced a building boom after the arrival of the Western Railroad. The architecture was typical of the time, with cornice [decorative ledge that crowns the building], pilasters [appearance of a supporting column] at the corners and molded trim. The back ell [perpendicular wing] had a wood shed on the first floor and storage on the second floor.

It was used as the Baptist Parsonage for nearly seventy years, until 1926, when the Baptist and the [North Congregational Churches](#) joined in federation. The Federated Baptist continued to own the house; at times it was used as a rental property or left vacant until sold in 2002 for a private home. The Town of Becket purchased the property on November 16, 2016 and removed the building in August, 2018.

In 2019, the Historical Commission had three benches constructed from site rocks and original stone slabs from the building and in 2020, added a bronze, commemorative plaque, on a larger rock. The peaceful memorial is adjacent to Yokum Brook, the [North Becket Village Park](#), and across the street from the [Becket Washington School](#).



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