



Christ Church Cathedral

510 South Farwell Street
1910, Gothic Revival



Eau Claire's Episcopalians organized a congregation in the mid-1850s and first held a service in 1858. A frame church structure was completed on this site in 1875. In 1910, the present chancel and parish house were built adjacent to this original structure. Five years later, the frame church was dismantled and the present church nave was built. After the establishment of the diocese of Eau Claire, Christ Church was designated a cathedral in 1931.

Both the Cathedral and Parish House were the work of Purcell, Feick, and Elmslie, a prominent Minneapolis firm which designed churches, residences, and public building in California, Connecticut, Massachusetts and the Midwest. Other Eau Claire buildings designed by this firm include the J.D.R. Steven House, and the First Congregational Church Community House and Parsonage. Perhaps its best-known public building is the Merchants National Bank in Winona (1912).