The History of a Black Presbyterian Church

Lombard Street Central Presbyterian & Members

Stephen Gloucester preached at the newly formed Lombard Street Central Presbyterian Church to a congregation of free and self-emancipated people, and to abolitionists.

“Their 430 members include some of the most respectable Negro families in the city” — W.E.B. Du Bois

- William Still, 1821-1902 (above left), writer, businessman, abolitionist, and conductor of the Underground Railroad.
- Christopher J. Perry, 1854-1921 (above right), founder of The Philadelphia Tribune.
- Locations of several African Presbyterian Churches, burned during the Rizzo's 1971 anti-Afrro boycott of the city. Lombard Street Central was near 57th Street.

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