



## Did you know David Hale...

David Hale was from New England, but, like several others, he went to New York City to make his fortune. Soon after the opening of the Erie Canal, trade, commerce and finance centered in New York. Places like Boston and Philadelphia began to take a back seat.

He teamed up with other New Englanders like the Tappan brothers who were both merchants and involved in anti-slavery activities. When they first arrived in New York they attended Presbyterian churches, but wanted a New England kind of church. Broadway Tabernacle was started as a shared venture. But the differences in church order and the strongly held anti-slavery views of the New Englanders prevailed.

David Hale literally financed the beginnings of the Broadway Tabernacle. He continued to help Congregational churches in other places too, like Detroit. He was the publisher and editor of the *Journal of Commerce*. He shared his other opinions in many writings and editorials throughout his prolific life.

## ...was a Congregationalist?

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## Call To Worship

L: Pilgrims are we, O Lord God, we come

**C: 400-year-old travelers with Your Son**

L: When we have been weary, You have restored our souls

**C: And set us on the path again, of redemption**

L: We come to this hour seeking refreshment, courage, and the will

**C: To continue this journey toward the community of heaven**

## Invocation (in unison)

We remember this day our Pilgrim forebears, whose constant prayers and unshakable courage brought them to this land we now call home. They brought their sins, their cares, their temptations, too, and found their help and strength from You. We approach You with the same needs and the hope that this hour may be for us a time of grace and empowerment to live with courage as Christ's new pilgrims. Amen

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