

FIRST BAPTIST PARSONAGE

AL-VI-D-128  
109 Philos Avenue, Westernport  
ca. 1890

The First Baptist Parsonage was constructed at the turn of the century as a private residence and is a good example of the shingle style of architecture. The ground plan is irregular and the roof has intersecting ridges and turrets both of which are earmarks of late 19th century architecture. The house now serves as the parsonage for the First Baptist Church and remains an architectural reminder of one of the more fashionable residences found in Westernport.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

First Baptist Church-Parsonage

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

109 Philos Ave.

CITY, TOWN

Westernport

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Sixth

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegany

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
			<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
			<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

First Baptist Church

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

109 Philos Sve.

CITY, TOWN

Westernport

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland, 21562

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Allegany County Courthouse

Liber #: 335

Folio #: 210

STREET & NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

\_\_\_ FEDERAL \_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED      DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

The First Baptist Church Parsonage is located at 109 Philos Avenue in Westernport, Allegany County near the intersection of Rt. 36.

The house basically consists of a two and one half story, three bay wide irregular rectangular shaped structure in the Queen Anne style. Small wings adjoin the main block at several points around the facade. Two story bay windows are placed on either side of the block, while a second story wing is found overhanging a side entrance. An octagonal tower is placed on the front southeast face of the main block and features an ogee shaped roof with a final. The walls of the entire facade are built of two materials:, the first story being of brick construction laid in American Common Bond, while the remaining upper portions are frame and are constructed in the shingle style with replaced asbestos shingles. The entire structure is supported by a low stone foundation with a beveled water table. The roof of the structure is bellcast hip shaped and is covered with replaced asphalt shingles. A hipped roof dormer is placed on the rear eastern roofline, while a large gable roof covering a bay window and a balcony adjoin the roof on the front western side. Eaves of the structure exhibit dentilated boxed cornices and houndstooth frieze, while the front gable features a decorated boxed cornice pediment with a circular ventilator in the peak. Windows in the structure include double hung wooden sash frames with one-over-one lights; some with cornices. Other windows found on the house include three, two story bay windows, gothic sash windows at the top of the tower, and several oval, stained glass windows placed around the facade. The bay windows on either side of the house are covered by conical shape roofs and the northern side bay is topped by a final. The main entrance to the house is located on the front west side and features the one light panel door, with transom and transom light. A second story horizontally paneled door, with transom leads to a small balcony at this level. A one story wrap around porch is placed on the front west side. The porch is covered by a hipped roof with dentilated entablature, supported by six clusters of three, Roman Doric capital columns with brick bases. A stairway leads to the entrance level. An original corbeled brick chimney is located to the interior of the main block.

The house is structually sound and retains much of its original appearance.

**CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY**

**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The First Baptist Church parsonage was constructed circa 1890 as a very fashionable and comfortable residence. The house is constructed in the Queen Anne style with the upper story and a half in the shingle style. The parsonage is truly in keeping with the Queen Anne style in that it rejects the traditional concept of unity. The ground plan is irregular, the roof has intersecting ridges and turrets, and each story is finished in a different material.<sup>1</sup> The house now serves as the parsonage for the First Baptist Church and remains an architectural reminder of one of the more fashionable residence found in Westernport.

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1. Maass John, The Victorian Home In America, Hawthorn Books In. New York 1972 pp. 141

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Allegheny County Land Records Cumberland, Maryland 21502  
 Haass, John. The Victorian Home in America. New York: Hawthorn Books  
 Inc., 1972

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

John Nelson and Joan Baldwin

ORGANIZATION

Allegheny County Historic Sites Survey

STREET & NUMBER

507 National Highway

CITY OR TOWN

La Vale

DATE

3/29/77

TELEPHONE

777-5967

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
 The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
 Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
 (301) 267-1438

DATE: 3/29/77REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minorNAME OF PROPERTY: First Baptist Church-ParsonageLOCATION OF PROPERTY: 109 Philos Ave.DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: WestNAME OF OWNER: First Baptist ChurchADDRESS: 109 Philos Ave.Westernport, Maryland 21562STORIES: 1( ) 2(X) <sup>1/2</sup>3( ) 4( ) 5( ) 6( ) BAYS: 1( ) 2( ) 3(X) 4( ) 5( ) 6( ) 7( ) ( )

WINGS, ADDITIONS:

Dwelling Shape: (square, cross, IRREGULAR rectangular)

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- ( ) FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten (type?)  
 (X) BRICK: Bond type- common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants. stretcher  
 ( ) STONE: Bond type- rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated  
 ( ) LOG  
 (X) Other: Coverings Shingles

Bay WindowWALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PILASTERS, OTHERSFOUNDATIONS: HIGH, LOW, BRICK, STONEWATER TABLE: NONE, PLAIN, BEVELED, MOULDED BRICKWINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1(X) 2/2( ) 6/6( ) 9/6( ) 9/9( ) other( ) two bays  
 pegged ( ) nailed(X) wide ( ) narrow ( ) mitred ( ) pediment (X)Gothic OvalENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: WestHARDWARE: original( ) replaced( )FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAINPaneled, Verticle, Horizontal BoardsCORNICE, PAROE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed)original( ) replaced( ) Rafter Ends, Modillions, Dentils, Frieze,  
ArchitraveROOF: GABLE FRONT, GABLE FLANK, HIP, SHED, MANSARD, GAMBREL, FLAT, DORMERS # 1MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt original( ) replaced(X)  
1 Cuplas

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed( ) hip(X) gable( )

CHIMNEYS: NUMBER 1 BRICK(X) STONE( ) CORBELLED(X) original(X) replaced( )LOCATION: Flush end( ) Inside end( ) Outside end( ) Central( ) Interior (X)ARCHES: Door and window: Keystone, Flat, Segmental, Semicircular

COMMENTS:

Use - Parish HouseSignificance - Arch.Date Constructed - ca. 1890Condition - Good

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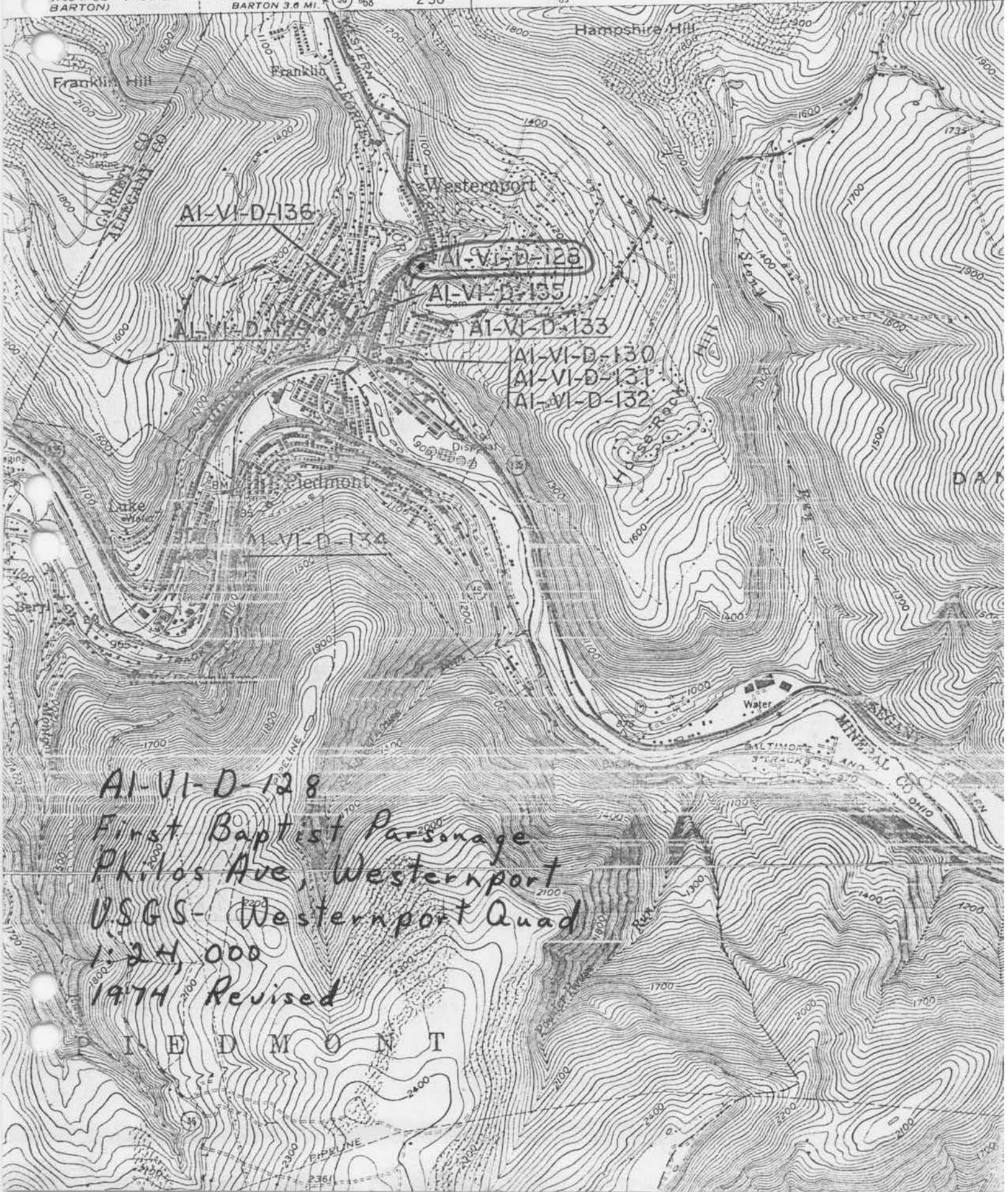
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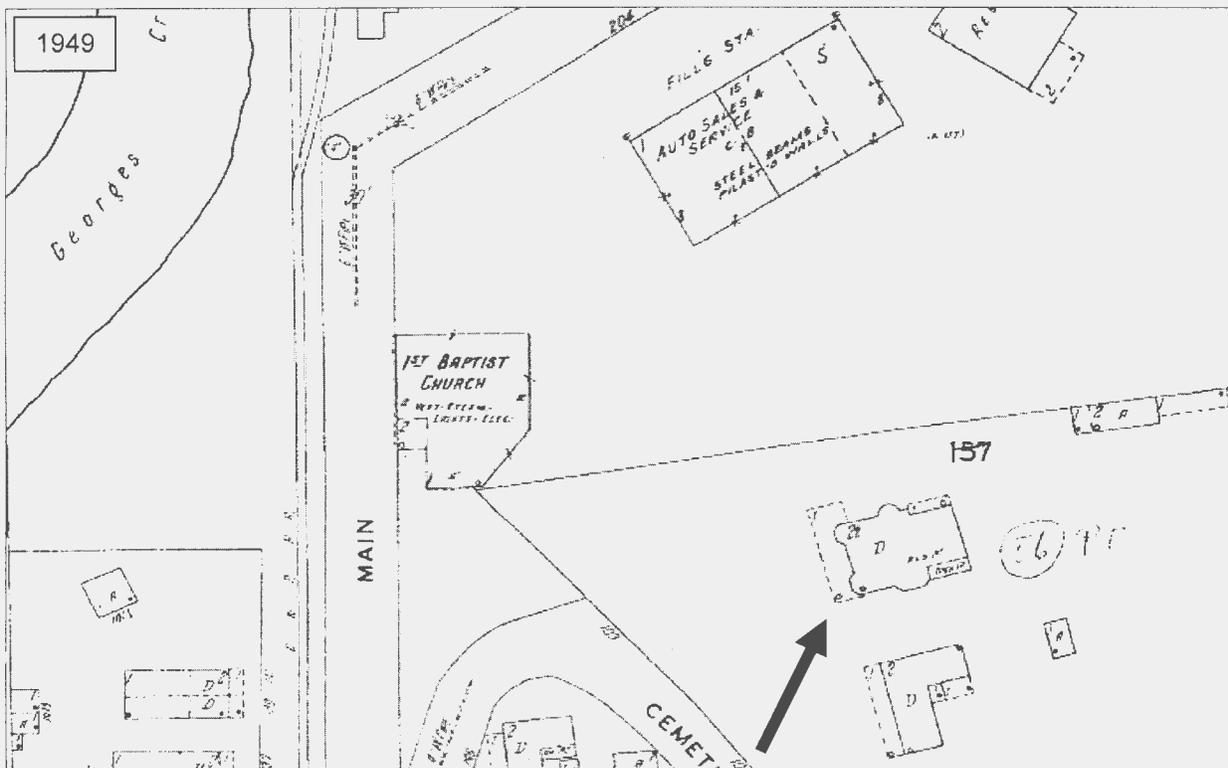
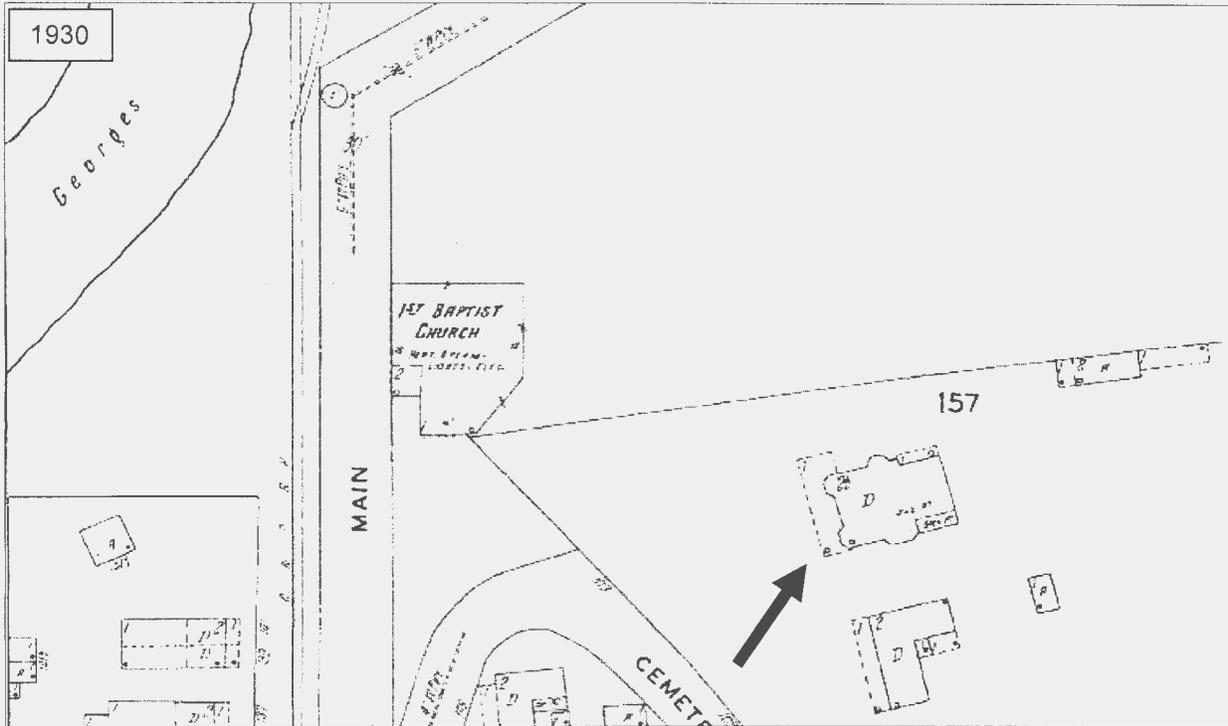


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109 Main Street, Westernport  
Sanborn Maps

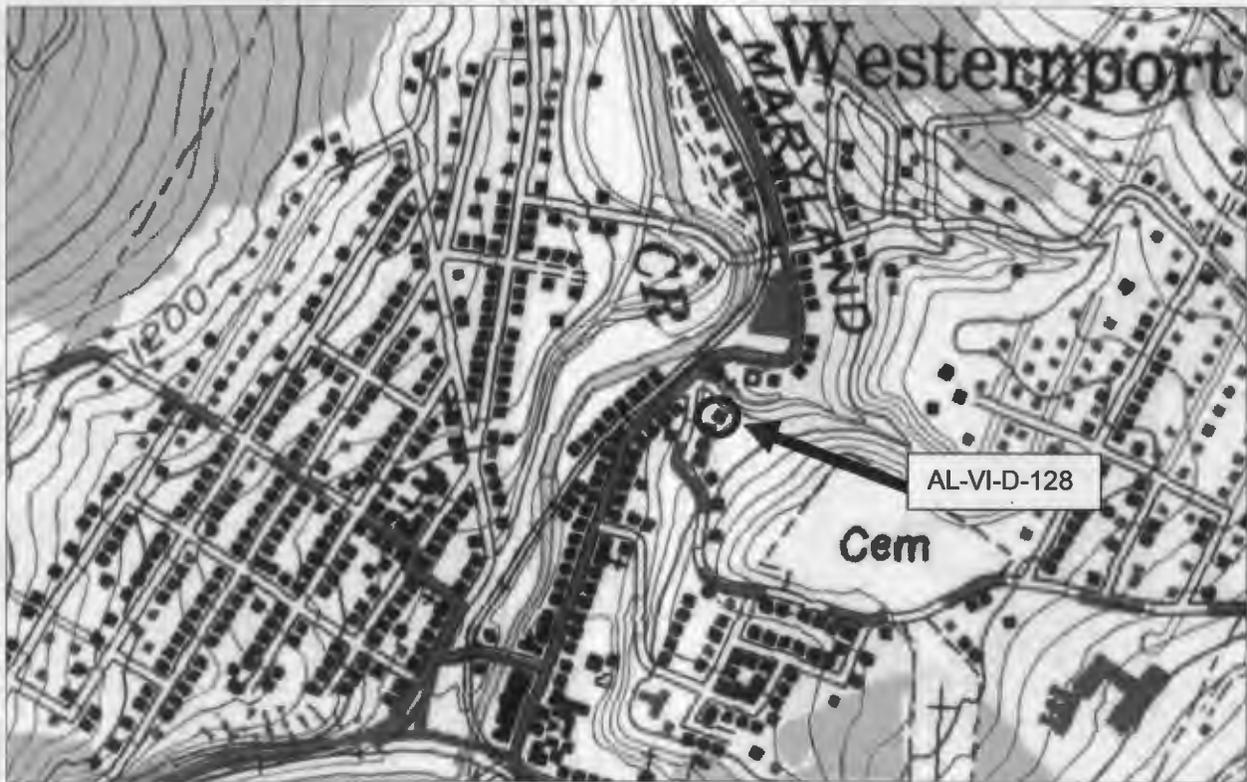
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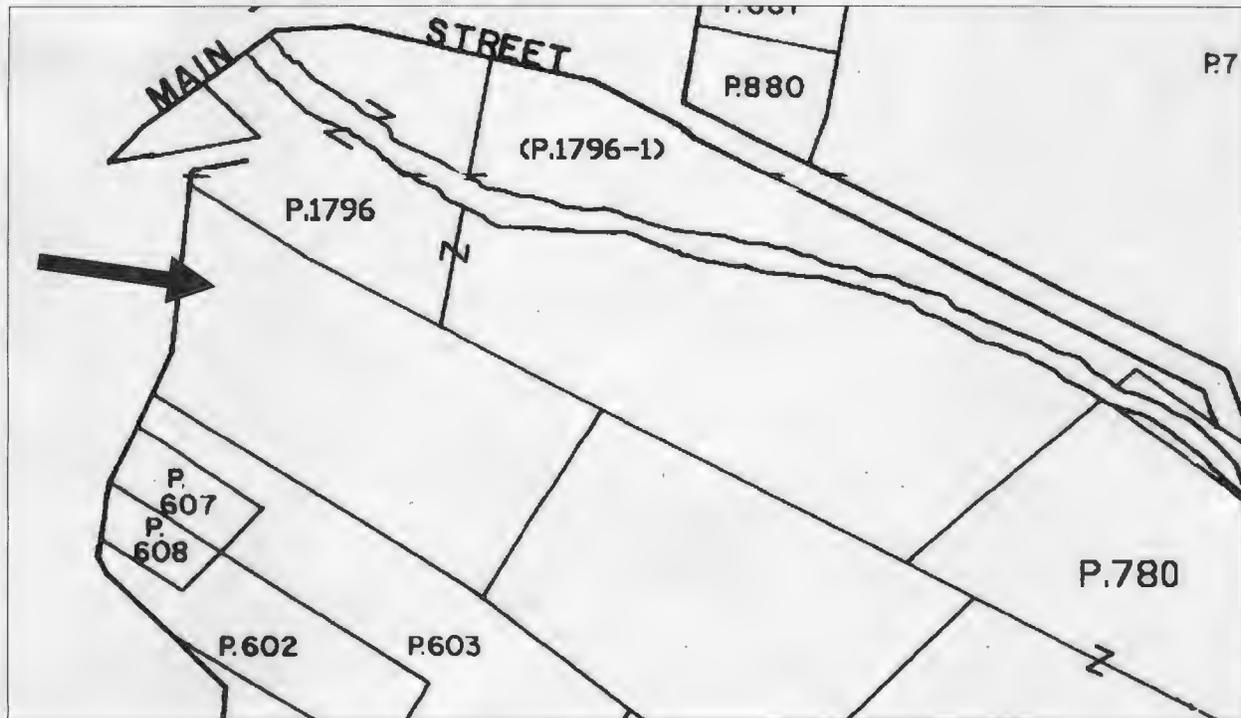
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First Baptist Church Parsonage  
109 Main Street, Westernport  
Westernport Quadrangle 1950, Photorevised 1981

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Allegany County Tax Map 500, Parcel number unclear (1796A?)



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FIGURE 46

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FIRST BAPTIST PARSONAGE, Westernport

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First Baptist Parsonage

109 Philos Ave, Westport

John E. Nelson

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Northport