

Anne Arundel - 777

Little Asbury M.E.Church(Asbury Town Neck U.M. Church)

Baltimore-Annapolis Blvd.

Pasadena,MD 21122

1924

Asbury Town Neck U.M.Church (Little Asbury) is 56' from the east side of Old Baltimore-Annapolis Blvd., 1/4 mile from that road's junction with Rt.2. The church faces south although there is an alternative entrance on the west side. The church can be described as late Victorian although it has been altered, rebuilt and remodeled. Little Asbury was originally a mission of Asbury M.E. Church in Annapolis. It has served the black population of northern Anne Arundel County since 1883. The church changed its' name to Asbury M.E. in 1924 and later to Asbury Town Neck U.M. Church.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC Little Asbury M.E. Church

AND/OR COMMON Asbury Town Neck U.M. Church

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER Baltimore-Annapolis Blvd.

CITY, TOWN Pasadena VICINITY OF Town Neck CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT Fourth

STATE Maryland Anne Arundel COUNTY

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

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME Trustees, Asbury Town Neck U.M. Church Telephone #: 974-1276

STREET & NUMBER Baltimore-Annapolis Blvd.

CITY, TOWN Pasadena VICINITY OF Town Neck STATE, zip code 21122

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Anne Arundel County Court House Liber #: NGH10 Folio #: 185

STREET & NUMBER Church Circle

CITY, TOWN Annapolis Maryland STATE

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE n/a

DATE  FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

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

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

Asbury Town Neck U.M. Church (Little Asbury) is 56 feet from the east side of Old Baltimore Annapolis Blvd, 1/4 mile from that road's junction with Route 2. The Church faces south although there is an alternative exit on the west side. The church is 24 ft across the front and 28 ft. in depth. There is a 10 foot addition on the east gable end that was added recently. The church can be described as late Victorian, but has been altered, rebuilt, and remodelled. Like Mt. Zion U.M. Church in Annapolis, Little Asbury is L-shaped with gables on the east-west and south ends of the building. The entrance (bell tower with open belfry) is on the southwest juncture of the El. The church has been covered with composite shingles that resemble bricks but are weatherboard. The structure has amber and blue lancet windows (two on the south side, three on the north, two on the west facade). This building appears to have been built before the turn of the century and rededicated in 1924.

**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 type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION   | <input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY               | <input checked="" 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              |   |   |

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| SPECIFIC DATES | BUILDER/ARCHITECT |
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### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Little Asbury M.E. Church was originally a mission of Asbury M.E. Church in Annapolis. It has served the black population of northern Anne Arundel County for nearly 100 years. It is located on the oldest Baltimore-Annapolis throughfare, not far from old Jones Station Road.

This area of Anne Arundel County has long had a large black population. The Church changed its name in 1924 to Asbury ME. and later to Asbury Town Neck U.M. Church.

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

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

**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION**

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

STATE \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_

STATE \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

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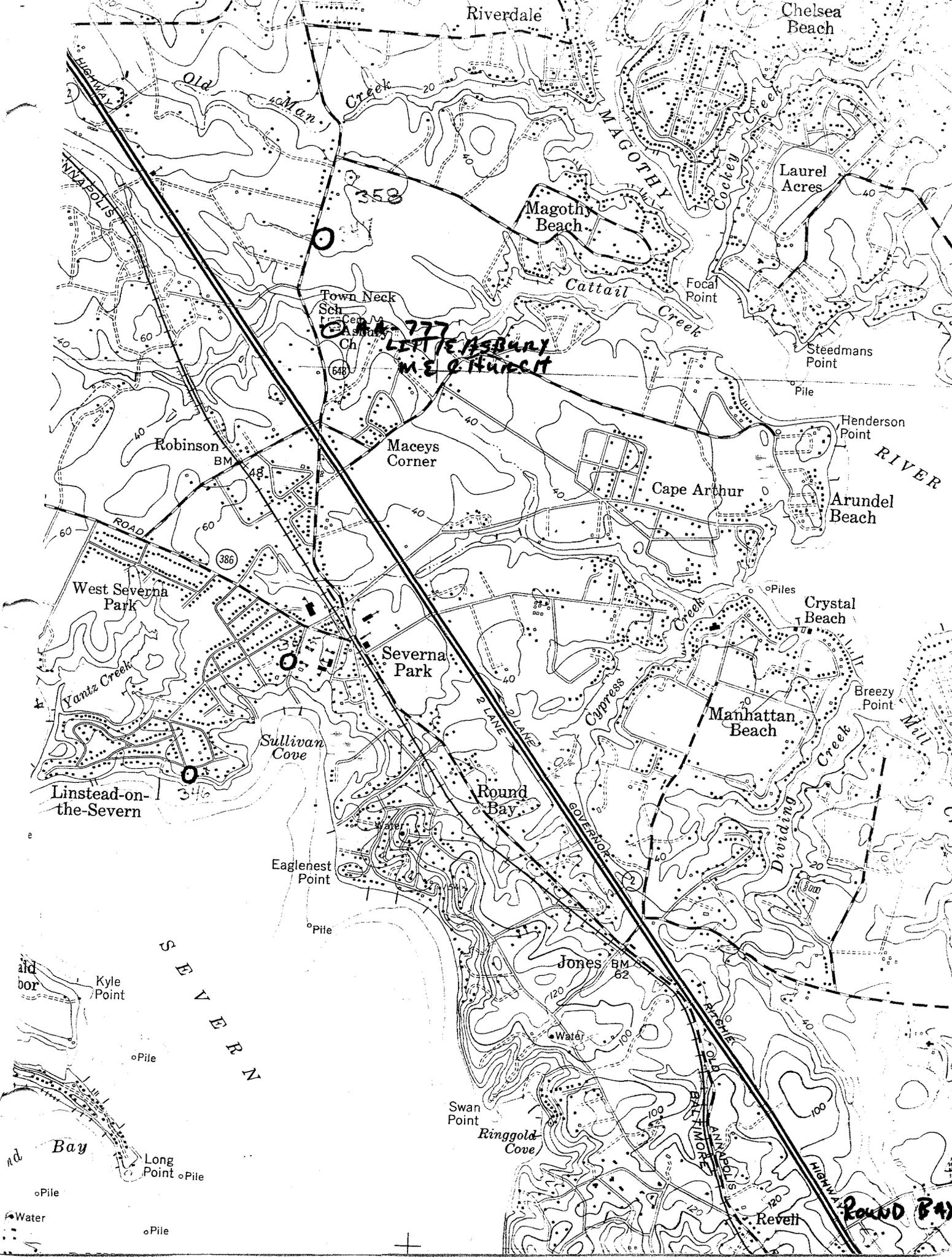
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CITY OR TOWN Annapolis, MD STATE \_\_\_\_\_

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