

Capsule Summary: First John Tabernacle Baptist Church (B-5077-4)

1801 E. Preston Street

Baltimore, Maryland 21213

Constructed: 1902

Private access

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The building has four elevations, including the rear (south) elevation that was exposed when the rear section of the building collapsed. The primary (north) elevation faces East Preston Street, while the secondary (west) elevation faces Rutland Avenue. The east elevation faces the adjacent building at 1841-1847 East Preston Street. The exterior walls on the north and west elevations are comprised of formstone; the south elevation features formstone and exposed-brick walls. On the interior of the building, the first floor comprises office and lounge space. The sanctuary is located at the second floor; the third floor contains additional classroom and office space, but is currently inaccessible.

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The First John Tabernacle Baptist Church is a contributing property within the Baltimore East/South Clifton Park Historic District (B-5077) in Baltimore. In 2010, the one-story, Rutland Avenue section of the church, constructed as a gymnasium in 1902 as a gymnasium, collapsed.

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1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Sokolska Jednota Blesk (Sokol Society) Gymnastics Hall
 other First John Tabernacle Baptist Church (preferred)

2. Location

street and number 1801 E. Preston Street not for publication
 city, town Baltimore, MD vicinity
 county

3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name First John Tabernacle Baptist Church of Baltimore, Maryland, Inc.
 street and number 1401 Kingsway Road telephone 410-558-3111
 city, town Baltimore state MD zip code 21218

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Clarence Mitchell Courthouse liber FMC 1017 folio 0380
 city, town Baltimore, MD tax map n/a tax parcel 081101531030 tax ID number n/a

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- Contributing Resource in National Register District
- Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
- Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
- Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
- Recorded by HABS/HAER
- Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT
- Other: Maryland Room Archives, Enoch Pratt Central Library

6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count	Contributing	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	1	
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<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation		
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	1	0
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> unknown		
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use		
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> other:		
				Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory	
				0	

7. Description

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Condition

<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> altered

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

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Setting: The First John Tabernacle building is located along East Preston Street, an east-west corridor in a mixed-use district of East Baltimore. It is a contributing resource within the Baltimore East/South Clifton Park Historic District (B-5077). The 0.25-acre site occupies a portion of the city block encompassed by East Preston Street to the north, Rutland Avenue to the west, and East Biddle Street to the south, and North Wolfe Street to the east; Mura Street (an alley) extends east to west through the block. North Gay Street also passes through the intersection at an angle, running northeast-southwest past the First John Tabernacle building. The resource shares a city block with a large industrial building (the Diamond Press Building, 1841-1847 E. Preston Street) to the east, and a limited number of rowhouses located along E. Biddle Street to the south.

Site: The building and its collapsed rear section occupy nearly the entire 0.25-acre site. They are built to the lot line at the north, east, and west edges of the site, with concrete sidewalks along the north and west elevations. The south end of the site, separating the building from Mura Street, features a grassy backyard and a limited number of gravel parking spaces. The collapsed ruins of the building as well as the grassy yard are enclosed by a chain-link fence.

Structure: The First John Tabernacle building features formstone-over-brick perimeter walls. On the south elevation, the brick is exposed where the rear section previously abutted the extant building.

Exterior: The building is three stories in height with formstone exterior walls and metal eaves on the north and west elevations. It assumes a rectangular footprint on the quadrilateral site. The building's primary and secondary entrances are located on its north elevation; the west elevation features a fire escape (from a window) and a basement-level entrance. On the south elevation, several door openings between the building

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and its former rear addition have been infilled at the first and second stories. The north and west elevations feature window openings at the first, second, and third stories; on the south elevation, the window openings at the first and second stories have been infilled, while the third-story openings remain intact.

The building's primary (north) elevation is divided into six irregular bays. The primary entrance is located near the center of the building, in the third bay from the west; a secondary entrance (to the stairwell) is located in the easternmost bay of the building. The primary entrance, accessed via a double set of brick stairs, consists of metal-frame double-leaf glazed doors with a rounded-arch wood-frame painted-glass transom above. The door is flanked by small light fixtures; a signboard with congregational information is mounted on the wall immediately east of this entrance. The secondary entrance, accessed by a short flight of brick steps, comprises a double-leaf, half-glazed metal door with an arched transom that has been infilled with a painted, corrugated-metal panel. The four remaining bays at the first floor on this elevation feature arched window openings with stone sills and formstone keystones. The two eastern window openings (between the primary and secondary entrances) have been infilled with plywood, while the two western window openings (between the primary entrance and the corner of the building) feature stained glass in the upper half of the opening and plywood infill on the bottom half. At the corner of the building, a recessed first-story alcove features a signboard and a suspended cross fixture.

At the second story on the north elevation, each of the six bays features a rounded-arch window opening with a wood-frame window. The upper portion of each window features wood tracery. The third story features window openings (with flat lintels) in four of the six bays. The windows feature 12-light upper sash; the lower sash have been removed temporarily.

Interior: On the interior of the building, the first floor is used as office and lounge space. The sanctuary is located at the second floor, and the third floor comprises office and classroom space (although it is currently under construction and inaccessible).

The first floor's plan is arranged around a hall along the south wall of the building, which is accessed via a vestibule from the primary entrance along the north wall. An office, ushers' area, parishioner's room, and restroom all open off of the hall, and a stairwell that leads down to the basement (inaccessible to 2015 survey). A stairwell and a second bathroom are located in the northeast corner of the floor; each is accessed via the parishioner's room.

Finishes in the entrance vestibule include slate floors, non-historic wood-paneled walls, and laminate-tile ceilings. The hall features carpeted floors, wood-panel walls, and suspended-tile ceilings with ceiling fans. In the church office (located along the west wall of the building), finishes include carpeted floors, wood-panel walls, and suspended-tile ceilings with pressed-tin ceilings visible above; the windows along the north and west walls are partially blocked on the interior by painted plywood. (The ushers' area was inaccessible to 2015 survey.) The parishioner's room features carpeted floors, wood-panel walls, and suspended tile

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ceilings; the windows are blocked on the interior with painted plywood. The stairwell in the northeast corner of the floor, accessed via the parishioner's room, features a wood stair with a wood balustrade and laminate-faced treads and risers. Other stairwell finishes include vinyl-tile floors, wood-panel walls, and suspended-tile ceilings. The two first floor restrooms, accessed via the parishioner's room and the hall, feature carpeting and vinyl-tile floors, tile and wood-panel walls (painted in some areas), and suspended-tile ceilings.

The second floor is almost entirely occupied by the sanctuary, which is separated from the stairwell by a short corridor and three closets that are stacked between the north and south walls; one closet is accessed via the corridor, while the other two closets are accessed via the sanctuary. The northeast corner of the floor is inaccessible, due to a blocked doorway in one closet.

The corridor features carpeted floors, plaster walls, and suspended-tile ceilings. It offers access to the largest closet, which features a solid wood-panel door, vinyl tile floors, modern wood-panel walls, and suspended-tile ceilings.

The sanctuary extends from the closets to the west wall, and to full depth of the building from the north to south wall. A raised platform in the room extends the along the west wall, hosting the pulpit and seating for worship leaders. A stair in the southwest corner of the floor leads to the third floor. The remainder of the sanctuary is occupied by wood pews that extend the width of the room between the side aisles that line each wall. Finishes in the sanctuary include carpet-over-vinyl tile floors, painted wood paneling, and suspended-tile ceilings with pendant light fixtures. The west wall is entirely covered with curtains. The two closets that open off the sanctuary serve as storage rooms; one closet has been soundproofed to serve as a sound room for the sanctuary.

The third floor was inaccessible to the 2015 survey.

Alterations: The First John Tabernacle building has been significantly altered since its original construction. The exterior has been resurfaced with formstone, and various window and door openings have been infilled or replaced with incompatible units. The rear section of the building is no longer standing, although its profile remains silhouetted on the south elevation of the extant building. On the interior, finishes have been updated in various renovation campaigns.

Integrity: The building does not retain integrity from the period of significance (1902-1949). Of the seven aspects of integrity, the First John Tabernacle building retains integrity by only three measures.

Location: Retains integrity with regard to location, as it remains in its original location.

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Design: Does not retain integrity with regards to design. The collapse of the building's original rear section, which historically served as Sokol Society's gymnasium and later as the church's primary worship space, has resulted in the loss and deterioration of physical fabric, which detracts from the original design of the building.

Setting: Retains its siting and other physical features of its setting, including its boundary with East Preston Street and Rutland Avenue and the residential, commercial, and industrial context that surrounds the site.

Materials: Retains integrity of materials. Although the building has been resurfaced in formstone, this material is characteristic of Baltimore's residential and commercial architecture in the 1930s and 1940s. It therefore contributes to the significance of the building, and the building retains integrity of materials. The interior of the building retains some integrity, but finishes have been extensively altered to accommodate the building's change in use.

Workmanship: Does not retain workmanship, as its construction craftsmanship has been significantly altered or destroyed on the building exterior.

Feeling: Does not retain its recreational or ecclesiastical feeling. The loss of the rear section has altered the form of the building such that it no longer reads clearly as a recreational facility or a church.

Association: Does not retain integrity of association with its original recreational use. Its change in function has adversely affected its historic association with the Sokolska Jednota Belsk (Sokol Society). It does retain its other historic association with religious use, as it is currently occupied by the congregation of First John Tabernacle Baptist Church.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below			
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	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other: _____	

Specific dates 1902, 1949 **Architect/Builder** Unknown

Construction dates 1902

Evaluation for:
 National Register Maryland Register not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

Summary: The First John Tabernacle Baptist Church at 1801 East Preston Street occupies the southeast corner of the intersection of East Preston Street and Rutland Avenue. Constructed in 1902 as the Sokolska Jednota Blesk (Sokol Society) gymnastics hall and meeting place, the building formed the center of society for the Bohemian immigrants who had settled in East Baltimore at the end of the 19th century. By the mid-20th century, this area of East Baltimore increasingly became home to African Americans. In 1949, Sokol conveyed the building to Mount Pleasant Baptist Church, a primarily African-American congregation, who renovated the building into a church. In 2000, when the Mount Pleasant congregation conveyed the building to the congregation of the First John Tabernacle Baptist Church, 1801 East Preston Street remained in use as a religious institution.

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Statement of Significance: The Sokolska Jednota Blesk, the Baltimore chapter of the Sokol Society, was founded in 1872 by Joseph Shimek, his son Vaclav, and fourteen other recently arrived immigrants from Bohemia (Czech Republic).¹ Although Bohemians began emigrating to the United States in the 1840s, the largest wave of Bohemian immigration to Baltimore occurred between the mid-1860s and 1890. By the end of the 19th century, most Bohemian immigrants lived in East Baltimore. With experience as weavers or tailors, many Bohemians first worked in the Fells Point neighborhood’s sewing sweatshops; many progressed to owning businesses of their own. Others worked in small industries such as brewing, cigar making, and meat packing or opened their own bakeries, butcher shops, and shoemaking shops.²

¹ Sokol was a physical training program devised in Bohemia starting in 1862 to prepare Bohemians physically and mentally to fight the German oppression. Dolores Zajicek Gentes, “Sokol Baltimore...A Brief History,” *Sokol Baltimore*, accessed 12/11/2013, <http://www.sokolbaltimore.org/>; Mary Ellen Hayward, *Baltimore’s Alley Houses: Homes for Working People Since the 1780s* (Baltimore, MD: The Johns Hopkins University Press, 2008), p. 154.
² Hayward, p. 151.

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As noted in the East Baltimore and South Clifton Park Historic District National Register nomination, "Sokol quickly became a means to perpetuate Czech language and culture, as well as the physical fitness that was almost a divinely inspired religious duty."³ Sokol first met in John D. Kremelberg's cigar factory (located on Gay Street close to Baltimore Street) to learn and practice gymnastics. The society soon became the center for Bohemian community activities; it sponsored social events such as balls and parades in addition to athletic endeavors. In 1882, Sokol moved to Shimek's organ factory, which was located on the 900 block of North Broadway in East Baltimore.⁴

In 1900, the Sokolska Jednota Blesk purchased a vacant parcel on the southeast corner of the intersection of East Preston Street and Rutland Avenue for the purpose of building a larger home for its Bohemian Gymnastics Hall.⁵ On September 6, 1902, the 552-member Sokol conducted its Grand Opening of the new facility which included a restaurant, meeting room, two school rooms, living quarters for the janitor, a manager's office, a kitchen and other facilities in the three-story brick section that fronted on East Preston Street; the one-story section that extended south along Rutland Avenue included a gymnasium, bowling alley, warehouse, stage, and dressing rooms.⁶ Sokol organized athletic and social events in their building and throughout the city. In October 1918, the first president of Czechoslovakia, Thomas Garrigue Masaryk, visited Baltimore and was made an honorary member of the Sokolska Jednota Blesk.⁷

By the mid-20th century, the Bohemian community in East Baltimore was shrinking; as members prospered, they moved to areas with larger houses and more land. The small East Baltimore row houses became home to new working class populations.

In January 1949, the Sokolska Jednota Blesk deeded the building to Clayton W. Bordley, Inc. who then deeded it to the Mount Pleasant Baptist Church with the provision that Sokol would receive the ground rent in perpetuity.⁸ The Mount Pleasant Baptist Church congregation started in a founding member's home in 1930. As the African-American congregation grew, they moved progressively east and north in the city following their members to where they bought and rented homes. The Mount Pleasant congregation relocated to two other sites before settling in the Sokol building at 1801 East Preston Street in 1949.⁹

³ R. Christopher Goodwin and Associates, "East Baltimore and South Clifton Park Historic District," *National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (2002), Section 8, Page 5.

⁴ Hayward, pp. 154-155.

⁵ Baltimore City Superior Court Land Records, RO 1844, p. 388, 26 April 1900.

⁶ Gentes.

⁷ Gentes.

⁸ Baltimore City Superior Court Land Records, MLP 7679, p. 189, 12 January 1949; Baltimore City Superior Court Land Records MLP 7679, p. 193, 12 January 1949.

⁹ "The History of MPCM," Mount Pleasant Church and Ministries web site <http://www.mountpleasant.org/home/history>, accessed 12/12/2013.

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In 2000, the Mount Pleasant congregation moved to 6000 Radecke Avenue in Baltimore and the First John Tabernacle Church took over the 1801 East Preston Street location.¹⁰ Established in 1988, the African-American congregation of First John Tabernacle Baptist Church continues to operate in the building.¹¹

In 2010, the southern portion of the building that originally contained the gymnasium, collapsed during a snow storm and was subsequently mostly demolished.

¹⁰ Purchase Money Deed of Trust, Baltimore Superior Court Land Records, FMC 1017, p. 380, 8 November 2000.

¹¹ "About Us," First John Tabernacle Baptist church web site, <http://firstjohntabbc.com/About.html>, accessed 11/25/2013.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property 0.25

Acreage of historical setting 0.25

Quadrangle name Baltimore East, MD

Quadrangle scale: 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

The First John Tabernacle Baptist Church occupies Block 1531, Lot 030 in the City of Baltimore. It stands on the southeast corner of the intersection of East Preston Street, North Gay Street, and Rutland Avenue. The survey and historical setting boundaries of the property are the same.

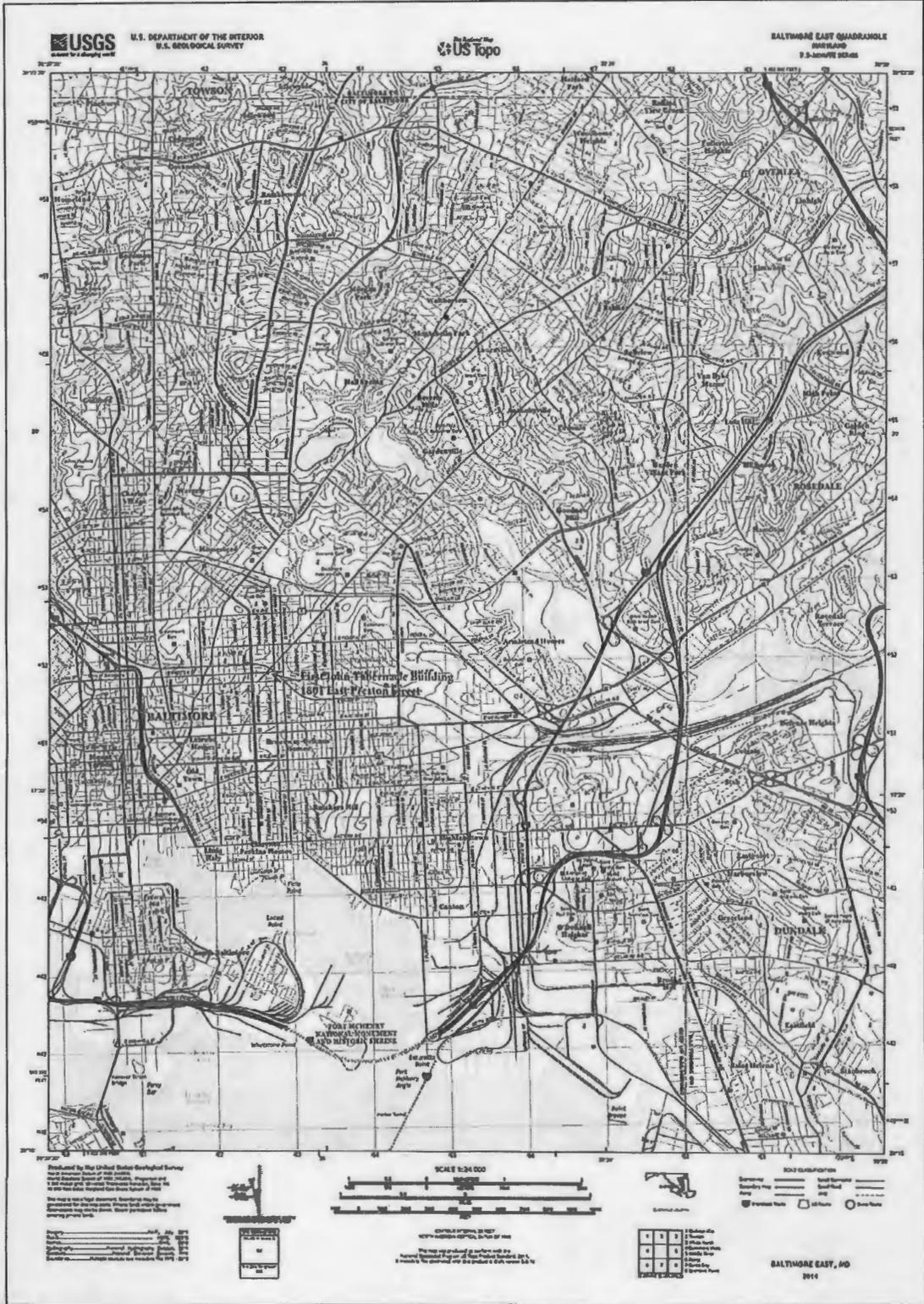
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city or town	Washington	state	DC

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties 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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USGS Quad Map - Baltimore East, MD 2014
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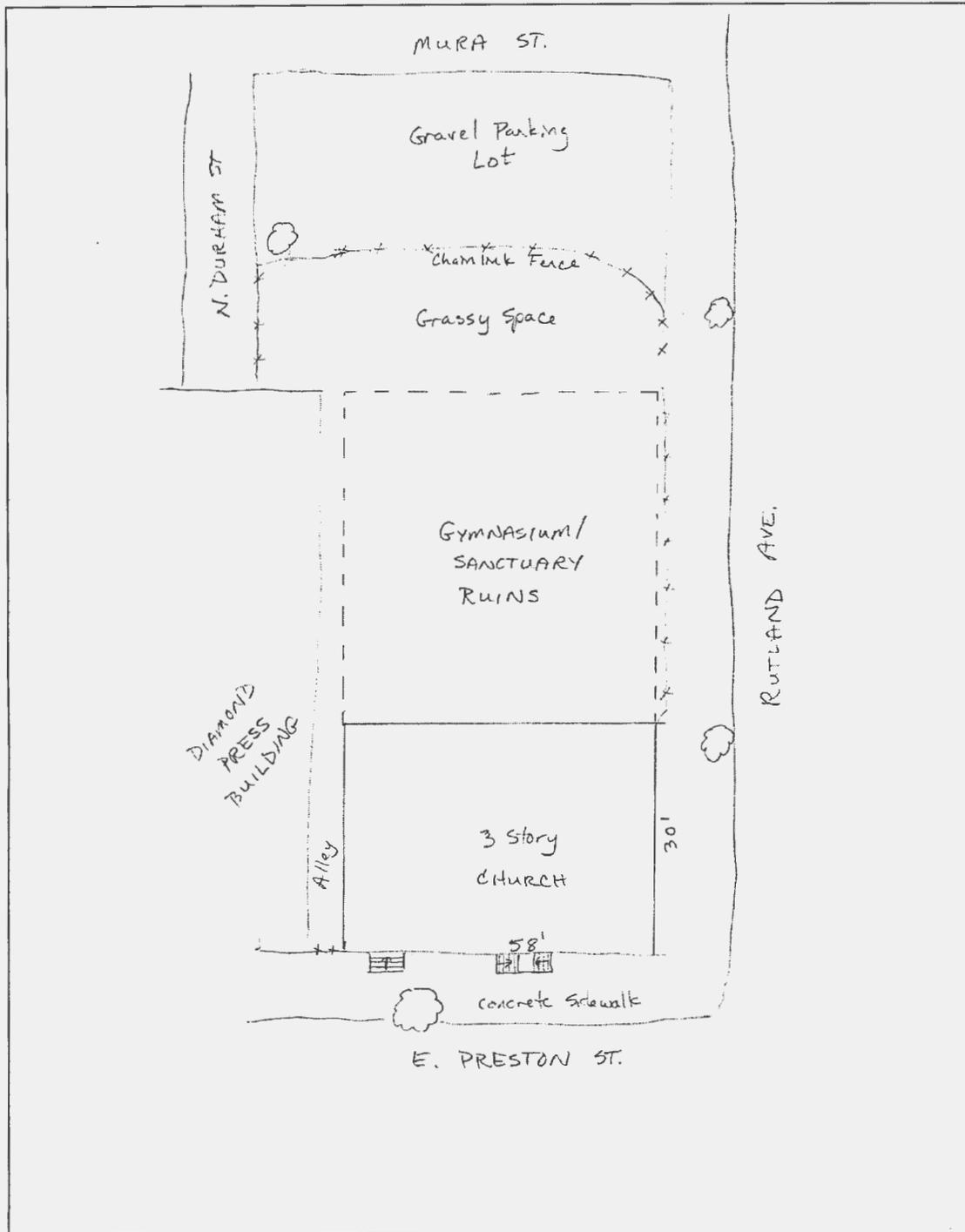
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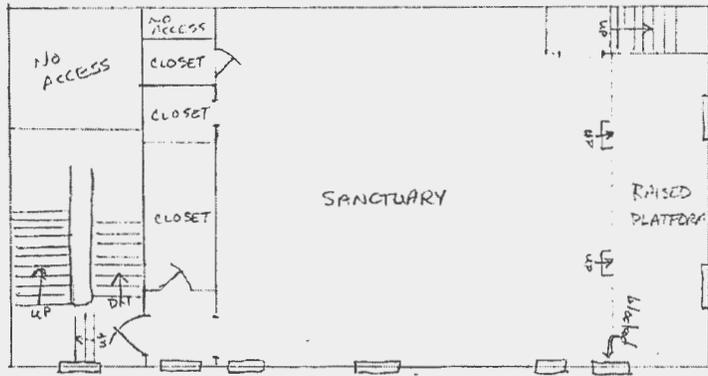
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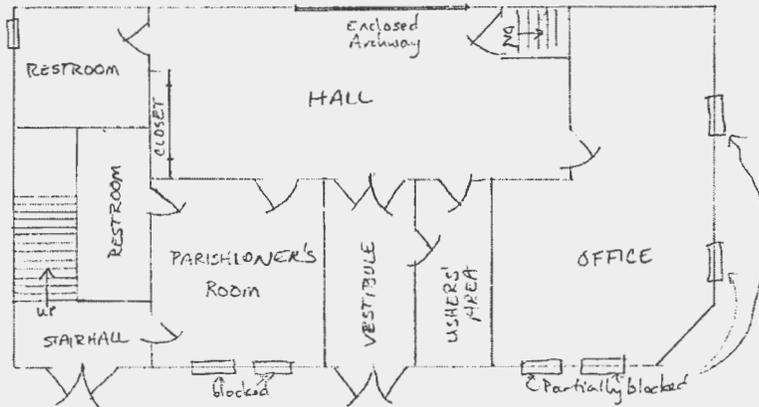
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SECOND FLOOR



FIRST FLOOR

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B-5077-4_2015-07-21_01	North elevation, looking SW
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B-5077-4_2015-07-21_03	West and south elevations, looking NE
B-5077-4_2015-07-21_04	South elevation with ruins of former gymnasium/sanctuary
B-5077-4_2015-07-21_05	East elevation, looking SW
B-5077-4_2015-08-04_06	First floor vestibule, looking N toward entrance from hall
B-5077-4-2015-08-04_07	Looking west along first floor hall
B-5077-4_2015-08-04_08	Looking east along first floor hall
B-5077-4_2015-08-04_09	Partially boarded windows in first floor, NW corner office, looking N
B-5077-4_2015-08-04_10	Stairs between 1 st & 2 nd floor, looking N
B-5077-4_2015-08-04_11	Stairs from 2 nd floor looking S toward landing
B-5077-4_2015-08-04_12	Stairs from 2 nd floor looking E toward 3 rd floor stairs
B-5077-4_2015-08-04_13	Original arched window in 2 nd floor hall, looking NW
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B-5077-4_2015-08-04_15	Sanctuary looking NW toward altar area
B-5077-4_2015-08-04_16	Sanctuary looking E toward rear entrance (on left) and closets (on right)

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South elev. with ruins of former
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MD SHPO
East elev., looking SW
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Baltimore, MD
History matters, LLC
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MD SHPO
1st floor vestibule, looking N
toward entrance from hallway
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Looking west along 1st floor hall
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Looking east along 1st floor hall
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Partially boarded windows in
1st floor NW corner office
looking N

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stairs between 1st + 2nd floors,
looking N

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stairs from 2nd floor looking S
toward landing
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stairs from 2nd floor looking

East toward 3rd floor stairs

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original arched window in 2nd floor
hall, looking NW
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Raised platform/altar area in
2nd floor sanctuary, looking SW
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MD SHPO
Sanctuary (2nd floor) looking NW
toward altar area

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Worship

Prayer

Music

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History Matters LLC
August 4, 2015
MD SHPO
Sanctuary (2nd floor) looking E toward
rear entrance (on left) + closets (on right)
16/16