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1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)
   historic Emmanuel United Methodist Church
   other Emmanuel Methodist Church

2. Location
   street and number 1250 Emmanuel Church Road not for publication
   city, town Huntingtown vicinity
   county Calvert

3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)
   name Emmanuel United Methodist Episcopal Church
   street and number PO Box 484 telephone 410/535-3177
   city, town Huntingtown state MD zip code 20639-0484

4. Location of Legal Description
courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Calvert County Courthouse
   tax map and parcel: 22:38
   city, town Pr. Frederick liber TBT1 folio 300

5. Primary Location of Additional Data
   Contributing Resource in National Register District
   Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
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   Historic Structure Report or Research Report
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7. Description

Condition

- excellent
- deteriorated
- good
- ruins
- fair
- altered

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

SETTING. Located at 1250 Emmanuel Church Road, the Emmanuel United Methodist Church property consists of a slightly sloping grassy lot with matures trees and shrubs, foundation plantings, and a paved driveway and parking lot. The church fronts close to and faces the road. A historic cemetery, a non-historic shed and a non-historic educational building also improve the property.

PRIMARY RESOURCE. Constructed in 1901 in the vernacular Gothic Revival style, the stone-masonry Emmanuel United Methodist Church sits on a solid stone foundation and is capped by a cross-gabled roof with asphalt shingles. The building has an L-shaped plan formed by the main sanctuary and south transept, with a square tower at their intersection. The building features stained-glass windows, slightly projecting gables and eaves, and an aluminum cornice. The tower is constructed of stone with a wood shingle-clad second story. An unmolded wood beltcourse visually separates the two stories. The tower is capped by a pyramidal roof with asphalt shingles and flared eaves. The double-deck, paneled entry, located in the recessed tower, features a stained glass one-light transom with the words [Emmanuel Methodist Church]. The projecting front-gable portion of the façade is three bays in width with three fixed-light windows. A large roundel window pierces the gable peak. Similarly detailed, the projecting south transept is three bays wide. The central tripartite window is capped by a half-round multi-light transom. The gabled peak is clad in wood shingles. Five rounded-arch windows pierce the west (rear) elevation, which is supported by four stone buttresses. The interior of the building has an Akron Plan with the pulpit in the corner, curved pews, and entry vestibule in the tower.

SECONDARY RESOURCES. A 1964 educational building, located south of the church, stands two stories in height with a two-and-a-half-story circa 2000 addition. Set on a stretcher-bond brick foundation, the structure features brick veneer cladding and a side-gabled roof with asphalt shingles. Behind the fellowship hall is a circa 1995 prefabricated one-story shed that features wood-frame construction, pressed vertical-board cladding, and a gambrel roof with asphalt shingles.

A historic cemetery surrounds the church to the north, west and south. Set on a sloping, grassy area, the cemetery has stone professionally-carved markers that date from 1889 to the present. The markers face east and are interspersed with periodic plantings. Numerous granite headstones were noted. The Bowen, Hutchins, Talbott, Carpenter, Soper, Hance, Bassford, and Dorsey families have a substantial number of burials in the cemetery.
8. Significance

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Evaluation for:

- National Register
- Maryland Register
- X 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 reports, complete evaluation on a DOE Form - see manual.)

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ENDNOTES

(1) "A Place for Fellowship." Calvert Independent, April 22, 1998. Calvert County, MD.

(2) "A Place for Fellowship." Calvert Independent, April 22, 1998. Calvert County, MD.

(3) "A Place for Fellowship." Calvert Independent, April 22, 1998. Calvert County, MD.
9. Major Bibliographical References

See continuation sheet.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property 2.94 Acres
Acreage of historical setting Unknown
Quadrangle name Prince Frederick
Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification
Emmanuel United Methodist Church is located at 1250 Emmanuel Church Road in Huntingtown, Maryland. It has been associated with Tax Map 22, Parcel 38 since its construction in 1901. The current deed to the property can be found in the land records of Calvert County in the Calvert County Courthouse in Prince Frederick: Deed Book TBT 1, Page 300.

11. Form Prepared By

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1250 Emmanuel Church Road
HUNTING TOWN
CALVERT COUNTY
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EMMANUEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
1250 EMMANUEL CHURCH ROAD
CALVERT COUNTY, MD
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MD SHPO
CHURCH, SOUTHEAST CORNER
1 of 4
EMMANUEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
1250 EMMANUEL CHURCH ROAD
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Cemetery and Church, View Looking South

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1. **NAME**
   - **HISTORIC**
   - **AND/OR COMMON**
   - Emmanuel Methodist Church

2. **LOCATION**
   - **STREET & NUMBER**
     - Wilson Road (Now Emmanuel Church Road)
   - **CITY, TOWN**
     - Wilson
   - **STATE**
     - Maryland
   - **COUNTY**
     - Calvert

3. **CLASSIFICATION**
   - **CATEGORY**
     - _DISTRICT:_
     - _BUILDING(S):_ ☑
     - _STRUCTURE:_
     - _SITE:_
     - _OBJECT:_
   - **OWNERSHIP**
     - ☑ PUBLIC
     - ☑ PRIVATE
     - _BOTH:_
   - **PUBLIC ACQUISITION**
     - _IN PROCESS:_
     - _BEING CONSIDERED:_
   - **STATUS**
     - ☑ OCCUPIED
     - _UNOCCUPIED:_
   - **PRESENT USE**
     - _AGRICULTURE:_
     - _MUSEUM:_
     - _COMMERCIAL:_
     - _PARK:_
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     - _PRIVATE RESIDENCE:_
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     - _GOVERNMENT:_
     - _INDUSTRIAL:_
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     - _MILITARY:_
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4. **OWNER OF PROPERTY**
   - **NAME**
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   - **STREET & NUMBER**
   - **CITY, TOWN**
   - **STATE, zip code**
   - **VICINITY OF**

5. **LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**
   - **COURTHOUSE**
     - Calvert County Courthouse
   - **REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.**
   - **STREET & NUMBER**
     - Main Street (MD Route 765)
   - **CITY, TOWN**
     - Prince Frederick
   - **STATE**
     - Maryland
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   - **Folio #:**

6. **REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**
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DEScribe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

This L-shaped stone-faced church includes a heavy, squat square bell tower in the northwest corner. The tower's bell-cast pyramidal roof is topped by a ball finial. A set of double doors appears on either side of the vestibule.

A palladian-like window pierces the shingled north gable. A rose window surrounded by voussoir and featuring top and bottom keystones lights the west gable. These two windows as well as other windows contain stained glass.

Slate shingles cover the roof.
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