

Emory Church, named after an early active parishoner in the congregation was established in 1836 in the very center of the entire eastern border of the County. The church, a small gem with corbelled details is not 25 yards from the western border of Baltimore County.

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME Brown's Meeting House Branch
 HISTORIC
 AND/OR COMMON Emory Church

2 LOCATION
 STREET & NUMBER Emory Church Rd. (MD 91)
 CITY, TOWN Reisterstown VICINITY OF Reisterstown CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 8
 STATE Maryland COUNTY Carroll

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

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY
 NAME Trustees of the Emory M.E. Ch. Telephone #:
 STREET & NUMBER 60 Milson Ct. Raves, Route 3 Md. 21136
 CITY, TOWN Reisterstown, Md. VICINITY OF Reisterstown STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION
 COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Carroll County Office Building Liber #: NONE
 STREET & NUMBER 225 North Center Street Folio #:
 CITY, TOWN Westminster STATE Md.

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS
 TITLE
 DATE
 DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS
 CITY, TOWN STATE

DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		DATE 1907

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

1856 Building ... (from photo) was a two-bay front, three-bay side coursed to uncoursed stone structure with large stoin quoins. Windows were 6/6 with louvered shutters, wooden base and lintel. The front door had a Tudor arch with plain trim. The gable roof supported a front square, shingled belfry, with pointed arch openings on all sides. These had decorative railings, decorative brackets under the cornice and a spire. Its right, back side supported an interior, single brick chimney.
The cemetary stood behind.

1907 Present Building ... is located right off the west side of Emory Church Road, and level with it, (Md. Rt. 91) facing east. It is not 25 yards from the Baltimore County line. The short, L-shaped, plan building, with corner tower, has walls of brick, either running or Garden wall bond, and an uncoursed stone foundation with large stone quoins. The two gable roofs and tower spire are capped with asphalt shingle. They end in eaves on the side, and soffits on the gable ends.

Eastern Front ... consists of the gable end of the long arm and the entrance tower. The onebay of the gable end had a large multi-paned stained glass, triangular arch window, with protruding brick voussoir work. A stone above the window reads "Emory M. E. Church, 1856-1907". Dripping corbelling under the cornice of all the gable ends and elsewhere on the structure unifies the architectural scheme. This eastern gable end accomodates an inside end, single brick chimney. The wall, like the entrance tower is of running bond. The square front tower was a 6/panelled, double wooden door, approached by contemporary cement walks and steps. A three-part, pointed arch, stained glass transom is trimmed with portruding brick voussoir. Above the door and in the middle of the tower is corbelled brickwork. The same is true on the southern tower wall which houses a triangular arch, stained glass window with the same trim as others. The square wooden open belfry has railings, decorative panels, and minimal bargeboards, on each of four sides. The heavy cornice has a single row of dentals. It is topped with a four sided spire roof.

The North & South Side Walls ... each have a three-bay, gable end, made up of one large central window and one smaller window flanking either side. Trim is the same as aforementioned windows. The northern side has two additional bays of windows on the north walls of the large arm, of the same trim. This side also has two bays, of three pane windows, with rounded arch brick voussoir on the gable end wall, and inserted in the stone foundation (basement).

Both north and south side gable ends have a round window under the point, trimmed with brick voussoir. The north side has stained glass in it, the south does not. Both walls have a Garden Wall bonding pattern as does the western back wall, which is four bays across, with basement windows, the same as the north wall. Trim on these windows is the same as others, but the voussoir work does not protrude. A large central 3-sided offset in the back wall and roof, accomodates two of these windows which are smaller in dimensions that the farthrest side ones. The back wall is Garden wall bond.

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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 checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" 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 1856/1907

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

In 1836, John Williams gave the ground on which later was built a log house, known by the name of the United Seminary, a place for education and worship. About ten families are said to have worshipped there at the time.

In 1856, a stone building, described in #7, was erected on the ground, to be used as a place of worship, and was called the Brown's Meeting House Branch. The name was later changed to Emory Church in honor of one Emory Chenoweth, one of the more active members at that time. The stone church was completed in 1856, and the Log Meeting House was used for a school. Later the latter was covered with weather boarding, and used until the brick school was built, in 1885. The brick building still stands south of the church. It was used as a school until 1927, when it gave way to the consolidated school in Hampstead.

In 1928, the Ladies Aid Society of Emory Church purchased the old brick school to be used for a Social Hall for the church.

In 1907, the stone church was razed, and the present structure put up.

At the conference of 1910, Emory, Pleasant Grove and Wesley Churches were detached from the Hampstead Circuit, forming a separate circuit and became known as Emory Circuit. Boring was later added to make Emory a four part circuit.

Emory, like so many small churches that dot the county, does not have an earth-shattering history. What is so nice about this structure, thus significant, is its pleasing light, neat and unified architectural features that make the small brick church a fine point in the county.

.....The cemetary sits behind the building to the west.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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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 **Maryland** COUNTY **Carroll**

STATE _____ COUNTY _____

11 FORM PREPARED BYNAME / TITLE **Fredi Eckhardt historic site surveyor**ORGANIZATION **Carroll County Committee of the Md. Historic Trust**DATE **spring 1979**STREET & NUMBER **210 East Main Street**TELEPHONE **848-6494**CITY OR TOWN **Westminster**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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1. STATE *Md*
 COUNTY *Carroll*
 TOWN *Finksburg* VICINITY
 STREET NO.
 ORIGINAL OWNER
 ORIGINAL USE
 PRESENT OWNER
 PRESENT USE *church*
 WALL CONSTRUCTION *brick*
 NO. OF STORIES *1*

HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY
INVENTORY

2. NAME *Emory Church*
 DATE OR PERIOD *late 19th.*
 STYLE
 ARCHITECT
 BUILDER

3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE

4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION

OPEN TO PUBLIC

*Protestant Episcopal church
 ca. 1870
 interesting architecturally -
 completed form to follow*

5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE *Endangered*

Interior

Exterior Excellent



6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional)

7. PHOTOGRAPH

8. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages)
INTERVIEWS, RECORDS, PHOTOS, ETC.

9. NAME, ADDRESS AND TITLE OF RECORDER

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DATE OF RECORD

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East tower + elevator + south elevator

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East elevator

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Western back elevation

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