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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Church of the Good Shepherd

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

George Street, east side

CITY, TOWN

Chesapeake City

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

— VICINITY OF

First

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Cecil

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

PRESENT USE

- AGRICULTURE
- COMMERICAL
- EDUCATIONAL
- ENTERTAINMENT
- GOVERNMENT
- INDUSTRIAL
- MILITARY
- MUSEUM
- PARK
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- RELIGIOUS
- SCIENTIFIC
- TRANSPORTATION
- OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Vestrymen of the Church of the Good Shepherd Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Chesapeake City

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21915

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Cecil County Courthouse

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Elkton

STATE

Maryland 21921

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

— FEDERAL — STATE — COUNTY — LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

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**CONDITION**

EXCELLENT                       DETERIORATED  
 GOOD                                 RUINS  
 FAIR                                  UNEXPOSED

**CHECK ONE**

UNALTERED  
 ALTERED

**CHECK ONE**

ORIGINAL SITE  
 MOVED      DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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

The Church of the Good Shepherd is a handsome Victorian Gothic brick structure, three bays wide and three bays deep, beneath a very steeply pitched 'A' roof. A fourth bay on the east side is not as wide as the body of the church.

The west gable facade has a central entrance with open porch and both the transom, which is boarded and made to look like two lancet arches above the double doors, and the base of the trusses of the porch roof have lancet arches. The porch has a brick wall about three and a half feet tall with turned posts supporting the steep roof with previously mentioned trusses. At the front apex of the roof is a wood cross. Slate covers the roof of the porch, chancel and sanctuary and it is composed of regular straight ended slates and imbricated slates set in series of alternating courses. Flanking the entrance are two miter arch leaded glass windows. Above the porch is a rose window and above the latter window at the very apex of the roof is a corbeled open bellfry with triangular window between the corbels with lancet arch bell opening and slate weatherings. A distinctive feature of the building, also found at Cecilton and Massey, is courses of black brick at window sill level and apex level between windows, around the rose window, at the base and top of the corbels, and around the base and arch of the bellfry. At the apex is a wrought iron cross.

The sides of the building are divided into three bays by buttresses. Each bay has a miter arch window and the black lines at sill and apex levels. Adjoining the buttress in the center bay is a brick chimney which has, like the chimney at the east end of the chancel, a bold corbeled cap. Adjoining the sanctuary is a small leanto with tiny windows and a door on the south side. It has the same bold barge boards resembling rafters on both sides. In the gable of the sanctuary is a lancet arch leaded window above the level of the altar. The entire structure rests upon a granite foundation with quarter round molded brick water table. The windows in the crawl space or cellar have been bricked up.

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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	
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<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

The Church of the Good Shepherd is a very well designed and executed Victorian Gothic chapel typical of the 1880's. It has been little altered during the course of its life and as such remains a gem within the town.

Mrs. Mary Sophia Bayard, widow of Richard H. Bayard, of Philadelphia, deeded to the parish "a lot of sufficient dimensions for a church and rectory". The rectory was never built but the church was erected and consecrated by Bishop Layon, March 29, 1883, under the name "The Church of the Good Shepherd".

In 1887, the new church in the town was made the parish church, rather than St. Augustine's which until this time had served the parish since its beginning in 1692.

One of the early ministers in The Church of the Good Shepherd, Dr. Ingram Irvine, drew complaints from other ministers in town because he was taking their congregations away from them.

In the heyday of Chesapeake City, this church was a center of religious and social activity. Young people took part in services and socials of all sorts. Before the roads were improved and the popularity of the automobile, the church provided most of the social life in small towns. Aside from the regular services, special activities were planned to interest all age groups.

The Church of the Good Shepherd is one of two churches making up Augustine Parish, the other being Old St. Augustine south of town. The two churches are administered by a single vestry with a single parish fund, a joint women's guild and a single youth group.

**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 \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_

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

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

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May, 1976

ORGANIZATION

DATE

South Chesapeake City Historic District Commission

STREET &amp; NUMBER

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c/o Town Council of Chesapeake City

(301) 885-5298

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

Chesapeake City

Maryland 21915

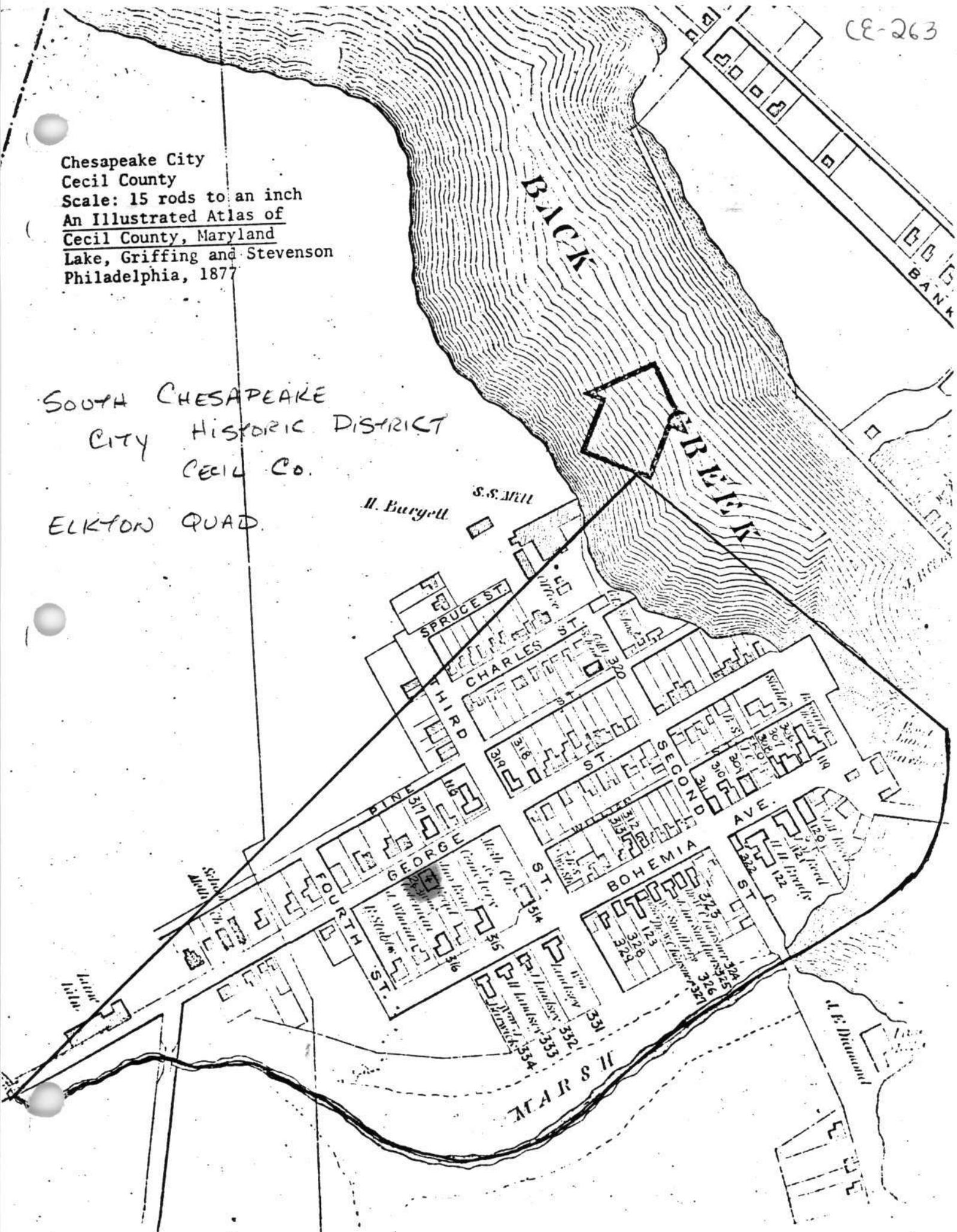
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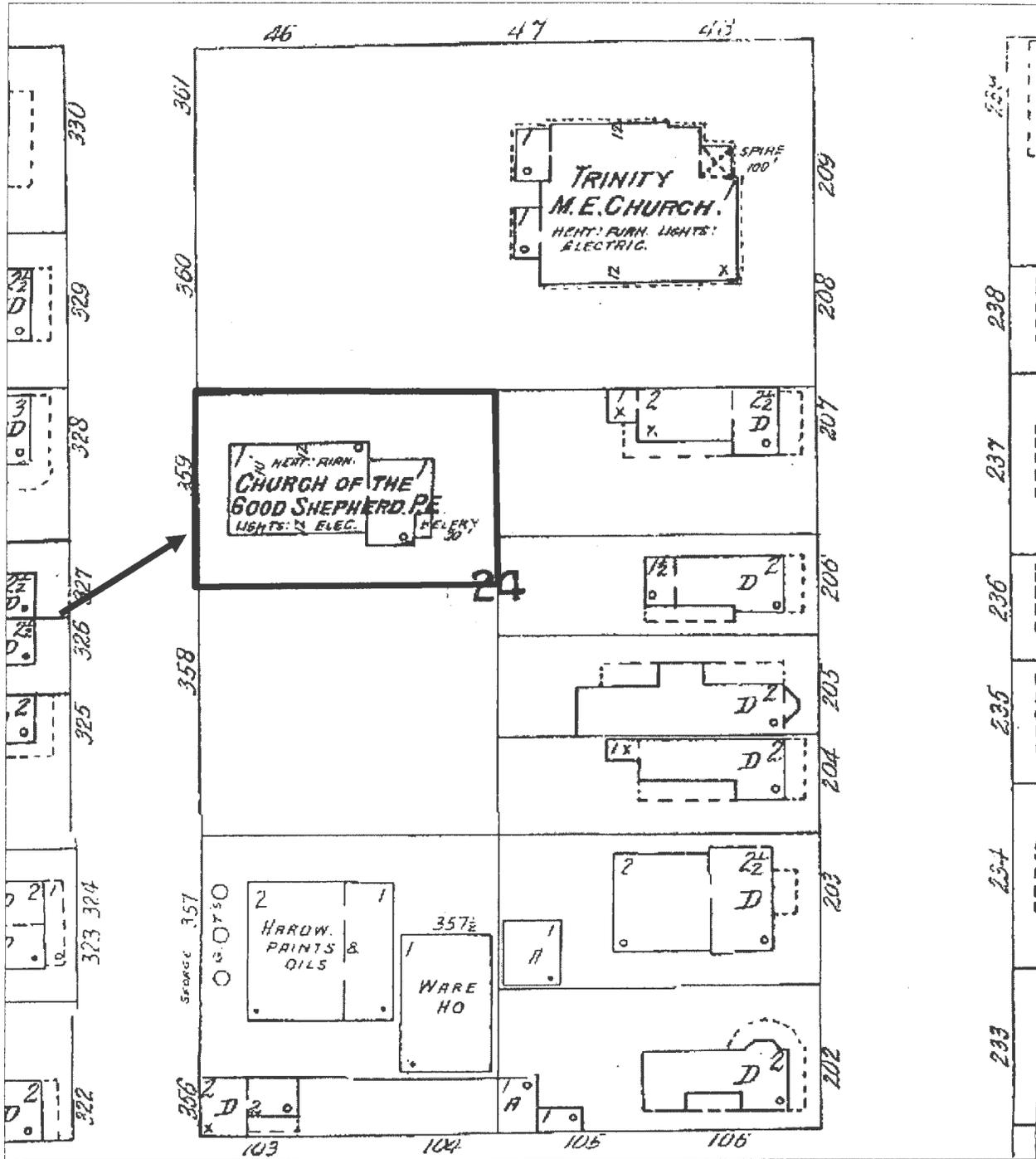
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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
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Chesapeake City  
Cecil County  
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An Illustrated Atlas of  
Cecil County, Maryland  
Lake, Griffing and Stevenson  
Philadelphia, 1877

SOUTH CHESAPEAKE  
CITY HISTORIC DISTRICT  
CECIL CO.  
ELKTON QUAD.

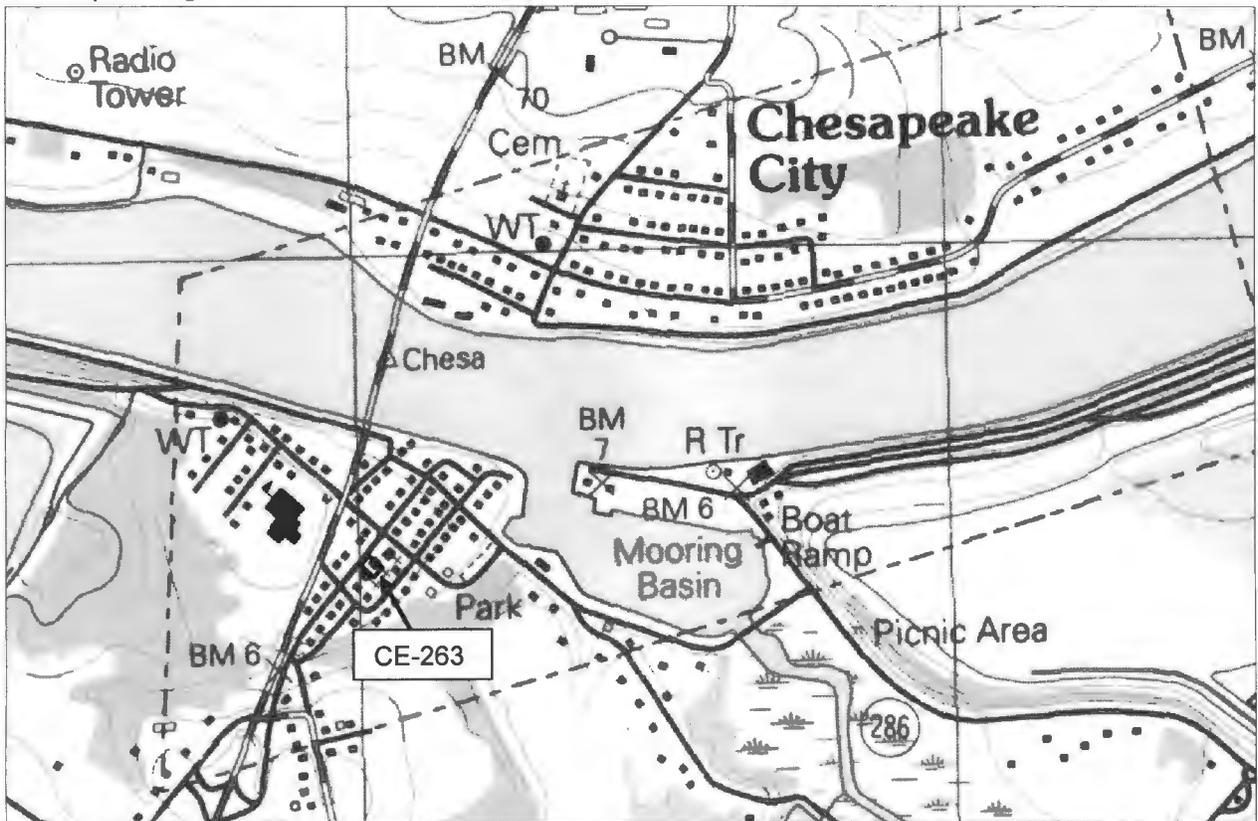


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 Church of the Good Shepherd  
 310 George Street, Chesapeake City  
 Sanborn Map, 1933, Sheet 4

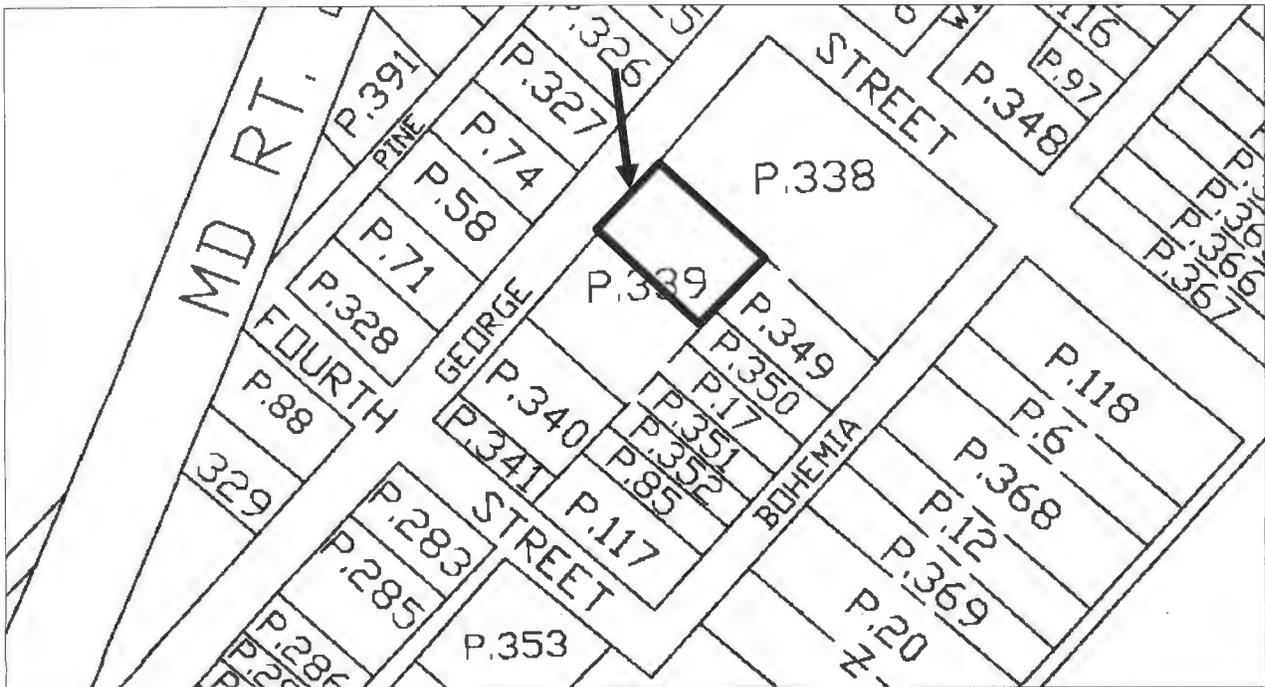


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Church of the Good Shepherd  
310 George Street, Chesapeake City  
Elkton quadrangle 1992



Cecil County Tax Map 200, Parcel 339



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