

D-660

c. 1914

St. Stephen's Parish Hall  
East New Market  
private

St. Stephen's Parish Hall is a rare survival of early twentieth-century meeting hall design. Built directly behind St. Stephen's Protestant Episcopal Church, the single-story parish hall was assembled in a utilitarian, but at the same time, eye-catching manner as a complement to the Gothic Revival church. While not competing with the Gothic design of the church, the parish hall was erected with similar high quality materials such as the multi-pane colored glass windows and the beaded board interior. The modified hip roof for the rectangular structure provides a interesting profile for the building. The early twentieth-century interior is noteworthy as well with the period meeting hall type furniture and adjoining kitchen.

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic ST. STEPHENS PARISH HALL

and/or common

## 2. Location

street & number North Main Street  not for publication

city, town East New Market  vicinity of First congressional district

state Maryland county Dorchester

## 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 type="checkbox"/> educational <input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name Trustees of St. Stephens Church

street & number North Main Street telephone no.:

city, town East New Market state and zip code Md 21631

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Dorchester Co. Clerk of Court liber

street & number Dorchester County Courthouse folio

city, town Cambridge state Md 21613

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title Maryland Historic Sites Inventory

date 1985  federal  state  county  local

pository for survey records Maryland Historical Trust

city, town Annapolis state Md 21401

# 7. Description

Survey No. D-660

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved    date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

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

St. Stephen's Parish Hall stands on the west side of North Main Street (MD Route 16) in the town of East New Market, Dorchester County, Maryland. The single-story frame structure faces east with the principal gable oriented on a north/south axis.

Built around 1914, the single-story frame parish hall is supported by a continuous common bond brick foundation and sheathed with plain weatherboards. The modified hip roof is covered with asphalt shingles.

The east (main) elevation is an asymmetrical facade with a projecting, off-center entrance vestibule covered with a hip roof. The front door is topped by a colored glass transom, and located to each side are square, multi-pane colored glass windows. A narrow brick stove stack rises through the roof of the main block immediately north of the entrance bay.

The south end is marked by a center entrance of glazed double doors topped by a colored glass transom. The north and west sides are finished in a similar manner without unusual details. A second brick stove stack rises through the north section of the building to service the kitchen.

The interior of the parish hall has not changed significantly since the early twentieth century. The walls and ceiling are covered with narrow beaded board sheathing, and horizontal five-panel doors are framed by plain surrounds. The southern two-thirds of the parish hall is an open meeting and dining room, whereas the northern third is devoted to a kitchen and bathroom. The kitchen and bathroom fixtures have survived unaltered for the most part. Glazed cupboards with beaded board doors line one wall of the kitchen and early twentieth-century appliances are still in service.

# 8. Significance

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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 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		

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**Specific dates**      1914      **Builder/Architect**

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check: Applicable Criteria:     A     B     C     D  
and/or  
Applicable Exception:     A     B     C     D     E     F     G

Level of Significance:     national     state     local

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Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

St. Stephen's Parish Hall stands behind St. Stephen's P. E. Church as a significant complement to the Gothic Revival church. In similar fashion to the church sanctuary, the parish hall was finished with narrow beaded board sheathing and lighted by multi-pane colored glass windows. The interior has remained unpainted and has achieved a warm honey-colored patina. The parish hall meeting room tables, kitchen cupboards, and appliances have not been altered significantly either, thereby preserving almost entirely an early twentieth-century appearance.



MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
 21 STATE CIRCLE  
 SHAW HOUSE  
 ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401

HISTORIC SITES SURVEY FIELD SHEET  
 Individual Structure Survey Form

SURVEY NUMBER: D-660

NEGATIVE FILE NUMBER:

UTM REFERENCES:  
 Zone/Easting/Northing

U.S.G.S. QUAD. MAP:

PRESENT FORMAL NAME:

ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME:

PRESENT USE: PARISH HOUSE

ORIGINAL USE: PARISH HOUSE

ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:

BUILDER/CONTRACTOR:

PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE:  
 Excellent ( ) Good (X)  
 Fair ( ) Poor: ( )

THEME:

STYLE:

DATE BUILT: 1914

COUNTY: Dorchester

TOWN: East New Market

LOCATION: Main Street  
Route 16  
East New Market

COMMON NAME:  
St. Stephen's Parish House

FUNCTIONAL TYPE:

OWNER:  
 ADDRESS: same as above

ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:  
 Yes (X) No ( ) Restricted ( )

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE:  
 Local (X) State ( ) National ( )

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Structural System

- Foundation: Stone ( ) Brick (X) Concrete ( ) Concrete Block ( )
- Wall Structure
  - Wood Frame: Post and Beam ( ) Balloon (X)
  - Wood Bearing Masonry: Brick ( ) Stone ( ) Concrete ( ) Concrete Block ( )
  - Iron ( ) D. Steel ( ) E. Other:
- Wall Covering: Clapboard (X) Board and Batten ( ) Wood Shingle ( ) Shiplap ( )  
 Novelty ( ) Stucco ( ) Sheet Metal ( ) Aluminum ( ) Asphalt Shingle ( )  
 Brick Veneer ( ) Stone Veneer ( )  
 Bonding Pattern: \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- Roof Structure
  - Truss: Wood ( ) Iron ( ) Steel ( ) Concrete ( )
  - Other:
- Roof Covering: Slate ( ) Wood Shingle ( ) Asphalt Shingle (X) Sheet Metal ( )  
 Built Up ( ) Rolled ( ) Tile ( ) Other:
- Engineering Structure:
- Other:

Appendages: Porches ( ) Towers ( ) Cupolas ( ) Dormers ( ) Chimneys (X) Sheds ( ) Ells ( )  
 Wings ( ) Other:

Roof Style: Gable ( ) Hip (X) Shed ( ) Flat ( ) Mansard ( ) Gambrel ( ) Jerkinhead ( )  
 Saw Tooth ( ) With Monitor ( ) With Bellcast ( ) With Parapet ( ) With False Front ( )  
 Other:

Number of Stories: 1

Number of Bays: 3x6

Approximate Dimensions: \_\_\_\_\_

Entrance Location: 4TH BAY

THREAT TO STRUCTURE:  
 No Threat ( ) Zoning ( ) Roads ( )  
 Development ( ) Deterioration ( )  
 Alteration (X) Other:

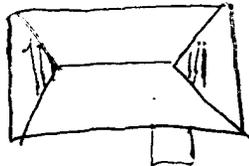
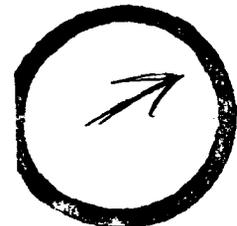
LOCAL ATTITUDES:  
 Positive (X) Negative ( )  
 Mixed ( ) Other:

RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

REFERENCES:

MAP: (Indicate North In Circle)



SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

- Open Lane( )Woodland( )Scattered Buildings( )
- Moderately Built Up(x)Densely Built Up( )
- Residential( )Commercial( )
- Agricultural( )Industrial( )
- Roadside Strip Development( )
- Other:

RECORDED BY:

East New Market Historic District Commission

ORGANIZATION:

Summer, 1985

DATE RECORDED:

① St. Stephen's Episcopal Church  
Route 16  
East New Market, Md. 21631

Front entrance has five brick steps with landing and handrails. Entrance has Gothic arched doubled leaf (considered one large bay). Over vestibule there are four arched sections with square colored glass windows. Wood panelling in gable with applied wooden cross surrounded with roundels. Atop the church is an open belfry surrounded by four white crosses (front, back, both sides) and a steeple which also has a white cross.

On the left side in the second bay there is a shed roof extension and side entrance with brick steps and handrails. Both sides are approximately four bays deep which includes gabled dormers and two bays with triple windows and two bays with double windows.

There is an applied large white cross on the back. There are no windows.

On the right of the entrance is a cornerstone: "St. Stephen's Episcopal Church 1893."

Has a steep gabled roof with asphalt shingles and two ? brick chimneys.

The building has aluminum siding. The entire foundation is American bond brick.

② Parish House D-660

Hip roof with small gables covered with asphalt shingles. Has corner boards with frieze--enclosed overhanging eaves. One story rectangular building with weatherboard painted gray. Six-bay front and back.

Front entrance has cement steps with handrails. Over the fourth bay, which extends from the main building is a two-row colored glass transom\* Three inside chimneys (front, back, right side). Side entrance has cement steps with handrails. Double wooden bottom doors with two-row colored glass transom\*. Three bays on left and two bays on right.

On both the right and left sides there is a small louvered gable for ventilation.

Back entrance has five horizontal panels made of wood with a two-row colored glass transom\*.

The entire foundation is American bond brick.

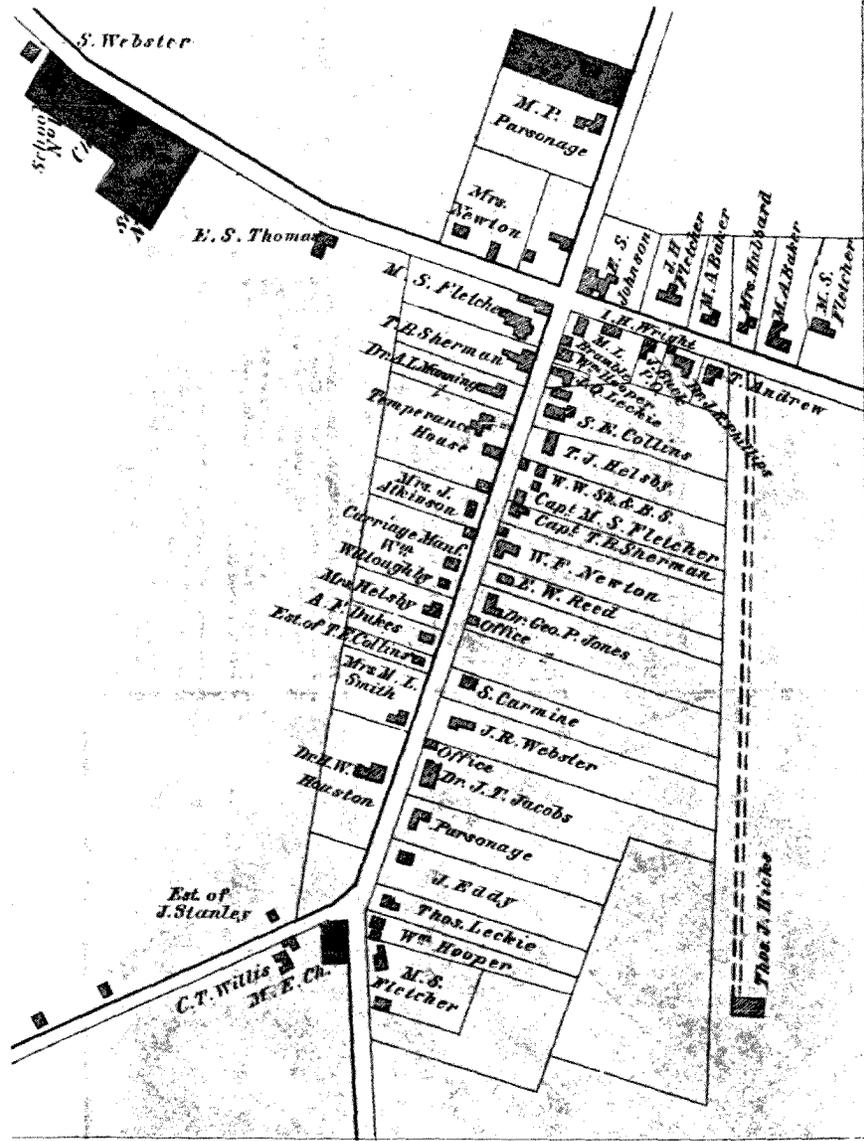
*Built 1914*

\* horizontal window centered.  
over the door

# EAST NEW MARKET

DORCHESTER CO.

(East New Market Dist.)



## EAST NEW MARKET BUSINESS REFERENCES.

- J. W. ANDREWS**, Dealer in Dry Goods, Groceries, Hats, Caps, Boots, Shoes, Hardware, Queensware, Cutlery, Tinware, Ready Made Clothing, Harness, Notions, and all other articles usually kept in a country store. Residence and Store, Cabin Creek, Md.
- K. B. FLETCHER**, Proprietor of the "Upper Cabin Creek" Flouring Mill. Merchant and Custom work done. Wheat and Corn bought at all times. Cabin Creek.
- B. F. SHERMAN**, Proprietor of "Lower Cabin Creek Mills." Merchant and Custom work done. Highest cash prices for Wheat and Corn. Also constable of East New Market District. P. O. East New Market.
- JAMES H. KELLY**, Proprietor of "Little Brick Mill." Custom work done at all times and in a satis-

**WILLIAM R. HOOPER**, Manufacturer of Boots and Shoes. I keep a fine assortment on hand, and for sale at all times. All kinds of work done from finest Calf to "Plough Brogans." Orders solicited. Repairing neatly done. Shop, East New Market.

**W. S. POTTER & SON.** Proprietors of "Holly Grove Canning Factory." All kinds of Fruits canned, and kept on hand, and for sale at all times; Warranted as marked. Peaches a specialty. Residence and Canning Factory near East New Market, Dorchester County, Md.

**H. W. HOUSTON**, Dealer in Drugs, Medicines, Chemicals, Oils, Varnishes, Dye Stuffs, Fancy and

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ST. STEPHENS EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
PARISH HALL

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East elevation

10/87 Paul Touart photographer

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St. Stephen's Vestry house - Parish Hall  
East New Market

