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Ijamsville Methodist Church
Ijamsville
Private

1854, rebuilt 1890.

The Ijamsville Methodist Church, a one and half story brick structure, three bays wide and long, was first built under the direction of Christopher Mussetter Riggs, William Dorsey, Sr. and John T. Williams in 1854.

The brick building is laid in common bond; arched stoned glass windows with arched header voussoirs are located in all three bays on the north and south sides. The main entrance is located on the center of the east side of the building. It is a twin paneled door with arched triangular stained glass transom with brick header voussoir. Above the door is located a small plaque which states, "M. E. Church 1890". A circular louvered vent is located in the east gable. A small cemetery, enclosed with an ornate iron fence, is located immediately west of the church.

The basement of the church was used as a school until 1876 when the Ijamsville school was built. In 1890, the church was rebuilt by L. H. Poole for \$390. Money for the project was collected from several different congregations. A new slate roof was added as part of the rebuilding.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC
Ijamsville Methodist Episcopal Church and Graveyard
AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
West Side of Mussetter Road
CITY, TOWN
VICINITY OF Ijamsville
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
E D 9
STATE
COUNTY
M 87 P 162

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 | PUBLIC ACQUISITION | ACCESSIBLE | <input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT | <input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS | <input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED | <input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED | <input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER |

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME
Ijamsville Methodist Church Telephone #:
STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN
Ijamsville VICINITY OF STATE, zip code
Md.

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Frederick County Court House Liber #: Folio #:
STREET & NUMBER
North Court Street

CITY, TOWN
Frederick STATE
Md. 21701

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE
DATE
FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS
CITY, TOWN STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

| CONDITION | | CHECK ONE | CHECK ONE |
|--|---------------------------------------|---|---|
| <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 _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FAIR | <input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED | | |

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Ijamsville Methodist Church is a one-and-a-half story brick structure built on a hill facing east from the west side of Mussetter Road in Ijamsville.

The church is three bays wide and long and is built on a high random stone foundation which accomodates a full basement.

A replaced asphalt gabled roof with small wood open belfry is finished by a plain boxed cornice.

The brick building is laid in common bond; arched stained glass windows with arched header voussoirs are located in all three bays on the north and south sides. One entrance is located on the south and north side, numerous double hung 2/2 and 6/6 windows are located in the foundation around the building.

The main entrance is located on the center of the east side of the building. It is a twin paneled door with arched triangular stained glass transom with brick header voussoir. Above the door is located a small plaque which states "M.E. Church 1890". A circular louvered vent is located in the east gable.

A small cemetery enclosed with an ornate iron fence is located immediately west of the church.

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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 type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS | <input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE | <input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699 | <input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899 | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE | <input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY | <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION |
| <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 | | |

SPECIFIC DATES - 1854, rebuilt 1890 BUILDER/ARCHITECT - Christopher Riggs

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Ijamsville Methodist Church was first built under the direction of Christopher Mussetter Riggs, William Dorsey, Sr., and John T. Williams in 1854 from bricks made at the Brick House Farm on Fingerboard Road.¹

In 1859 it became part of the South Frederick Circuit of Churches which included Ijamsville, Urbana, Point of Rocks, Buckeystown, Manor School House, (Mt. Carmel) Zimmermans, Hope Hill and Koontz Chapel. Later, it was included in the Urbana circuit with Urbana and Koontz Chapel.

The basement of the church was used as a school until 1876 when the Ijamsville School was built next door to the church. John Shipley served as the teacher for this school.²

In 1890 the church was rebuilt by L.H. Poole for the sum of \$390. Money for the project was collected from several different congregations including one from Pennsylvania. As part of the rebuilding, a new slate roof was added.³

The church continues to function with Methodist services being held weekly.

1 Directory, Urbana Circuit, 1940-41, p.17

2 Ibid.

3 Ibid.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Directory, Urbana Circuit, 1940-41 p. 17
 Ijamsville, The Story of a Country Village, Frederick News-Post
 Feb. 17, 24, March 3, 10, 17, 1951; Charles E. Moylan

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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

Cherilyn Widell

ORGANIZATION

Frederick County Historical Preservation

DATE

9/9/77

STREET & NUMBER

12 East Church Street, Winchester Hall

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CITY OR TOWN

Frederick

STATE

Md. 21701

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5562 IV N
(WALKERSVILLE)

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IJAMSVILLE METHODIST CHURCH
W/S MUSSETER RD
NORTH ELEVATION

CEW 3/77

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ITAMSVILLE METHODIST CHURCH

3/77

W/S MUSSETER RD, ITAMSVILLE

EAST ELEVATION

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