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Central Chapel
New London
Private

1843

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Twin arched paneled doors with decorative wood lintels are located in the first and third bay on the east side. Occupying the second bay is a double hung segmented gothic window with louvered shutters. Directly over the window a plaque states, "Faith, Hope, Charity, these three but the greatest of these is Charity - I Corinthians 13, Verse 15" and "Central Chapel, 1843."

In 1831, Cordelia H. Downey gave to the trustees of the Central Chapel a one acre tract of the Resurvey on Drummine "for the purpose of erecting a house of public worship together with the privilege of a spring upon the premises of Cordelia Downey. (The)...house of public worship to be used for the accommodation of all denominations of Christians who may wish to occupy it as such." The building, however, was not built until 1843 but is still one of the oldest churches remaining in the New Market region.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Central Chapel & Graveyard

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

W/S Route 75 at intersection of Central Chapel Road

CITY, TOWN

Mount Airy

___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

M69 P71

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Frederick

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
- MUSEUM
- COMMERCIAL
- PARK
- EDUCATIONAL
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- ENTERTAINMENT
- RELIGIOUS
- GOVERNMENT
- SCIENTIFIC
- INDUSTRIAL
- TRANSPORTATION
- MILITARY
- OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Trustees of Central Chapel Church

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Route 1

CITY, TOWN

Mount Airy,

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Md. 21771

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
 REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Frederick County Court House

Liber #: 726

Folio #: 465

STREET & NUMBER

Court Street

CITY, TOWN

Frederick

STATE

Maryland

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input 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 Central Chapel is a small one story rectangular church which faces east from the westside of the Green Valley Road (Route 75) near New London.

The whitewashed stucco over stone structure is three bays wide and three bays long and is banked against a small hill and built on a high stone foundation.

Two twin arched paneled doors with decorative wood lintels are located in the first and third bay on the eastsides. Occupying the second bay is a double hung segmented gothic style window with louvered shutters. Directly over the window a plaque states "Faith, Hope, Charity, these three but the greatest of these is charity. I Cor 13, Ver 15" and "Central Chapel, 1843."

Windows identical to that in the second bay on the principle facade are located in each bay on the north and south sides.

The tin, gabled roof is finished by an architraved boxed cornice with return. A small interior brick chimney straddles the gable on the west end.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

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	1843	BUILDER/ARCHITECT Trustees Central Chapel
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

In 1831 Cordelia H. Downey gave to the trustees of the Central Chapel a one acre tract of the Resurvey on Drum Mines "for the purpose of erecting a house to be used as a school house and also as a house of public worship together with the privilege of a spring upon the premises of Cordelia Downey. (The). . . house of public worship to be used for the accomodation of all denominations of Christians who may wish to occupy it as such."¹ The building however was not built until 1843 at which time the Central Chapel was incorporated.² The Central Chapel is one of the oldest Churches still standing in the New Market Region of Frederick County.

1 Frederick County Land Records Liber JS 36 Folio 483
 2 Frederick County Inc. Records 1808-1880 p.130
 February 4, 1846

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

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Cherilyn Widell

ORGANIZATION

Frederick County Historic Preservation

DATE

1-23-78

STREET & NUMBER

Winchester Hall, 12 East Church Street

TELEPHONE

663-8300

CITY OR TOWN

Frederick

STATE

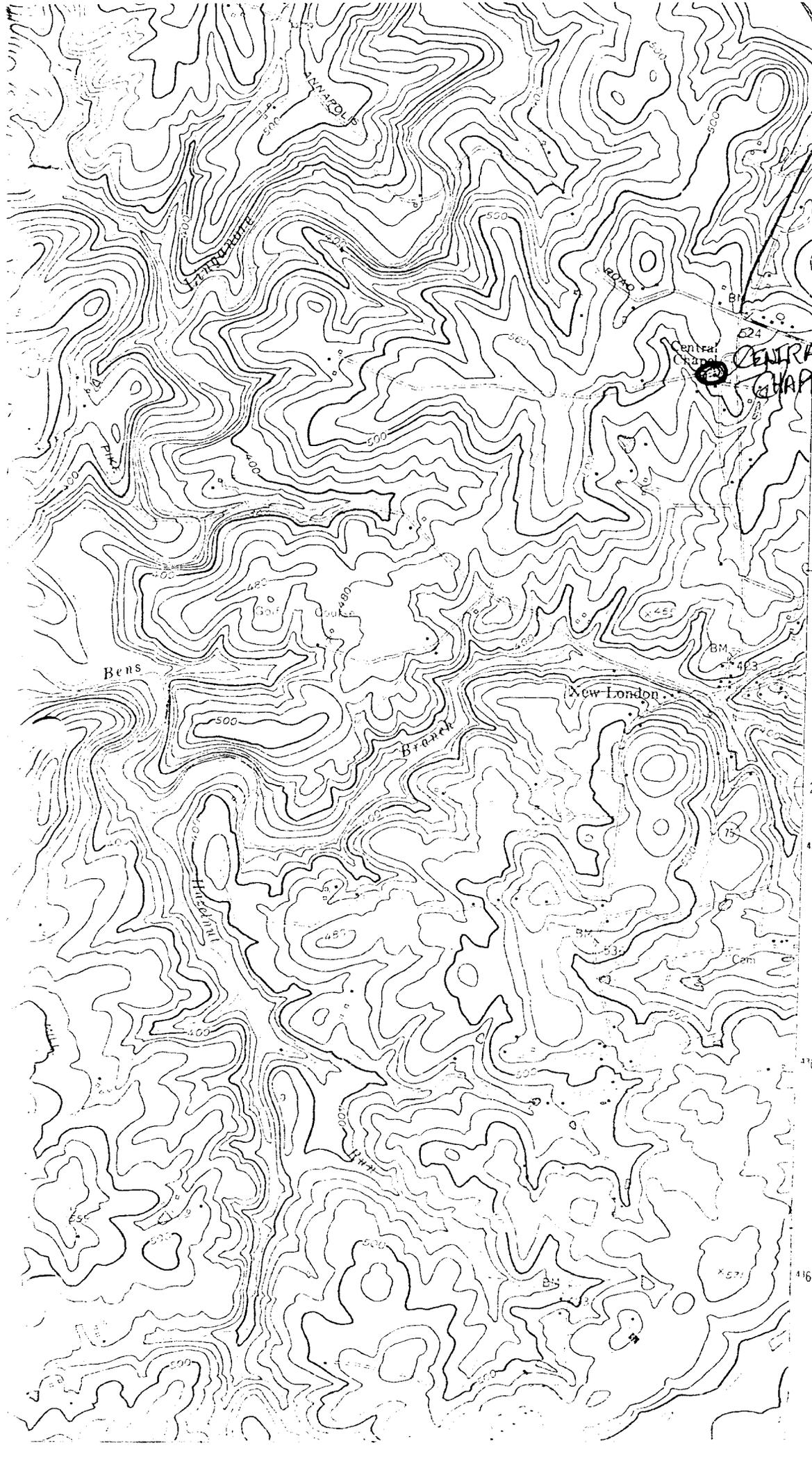
Maryland

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.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

WALKERSVILLE
QUADRANGLE



4368

LIBERTYTOWN
5562 / N W

CENTRAL
CHAPEL F5-34

4367

4366

25'

4365

4364

4363



Central Chapel

CEW 8/17

South side Central Church Road, west of Rte. 75

Northeast view

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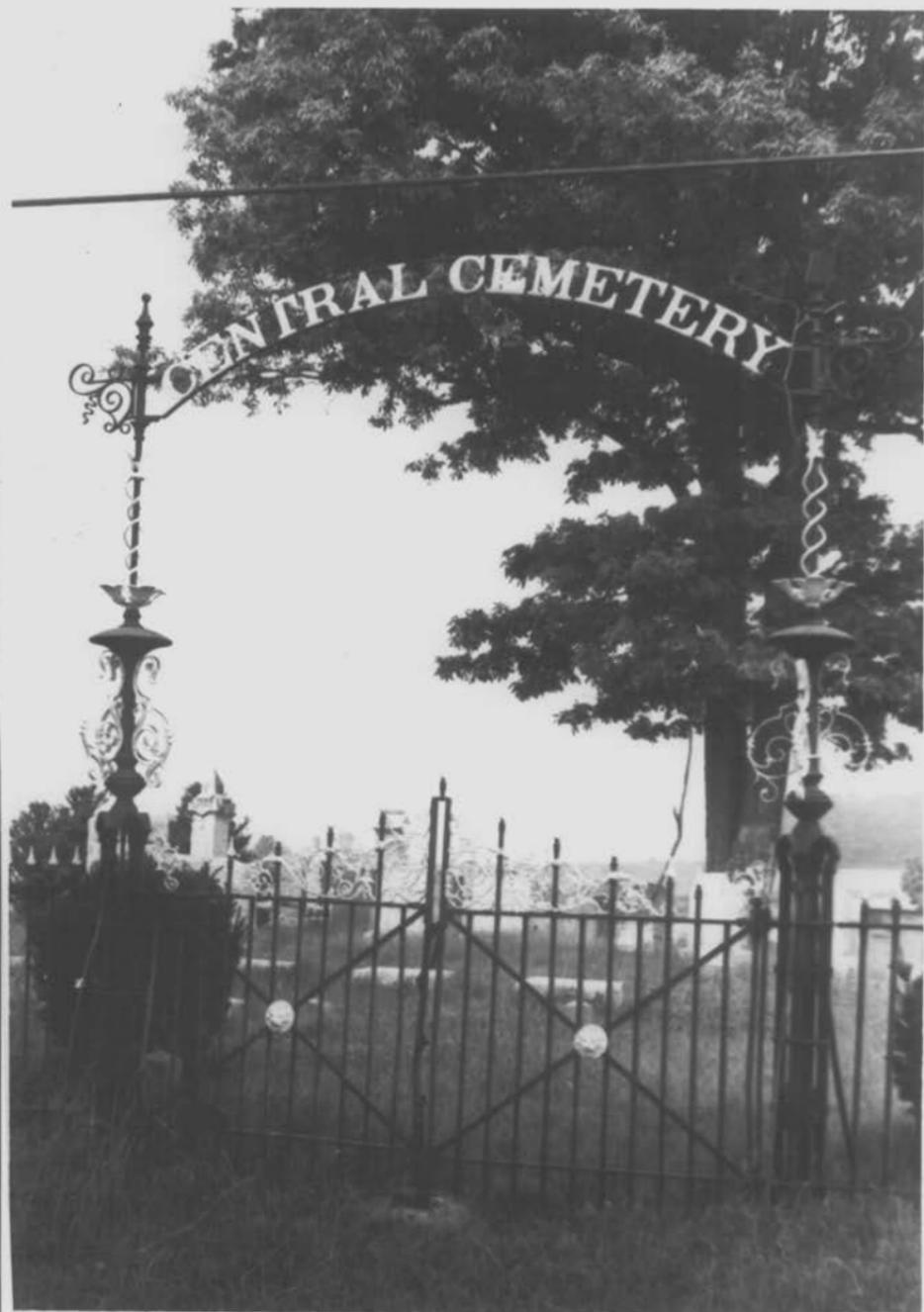
CENTRAL Chapel

CEN 8/77

South side Central Church Road, west of Rte. 75

South west view

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Central Chapel Graveyard Entrance
South side Central Church Rd,
West of Rt. 75

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