

Bond Methodist Episcopal Church

Chestertown

One of several small Greek Revival Churches constructed by the Methodist congregations in Kent County, Bond Chapel, located on Quaker Neck Road, is a one story brick structure with a shallow gable roof. Its main entry, in the northwest gable is sheltered by low, gabled roof frame entry.. A later one-story frame addition makes the building L in plan. Elements of its Greek Revival styling are its shallow gable roof with the heavy cornice and return, and its strong brick pilasters: This structure resembles Mowbray Chapel (K-247), further southwest on Quaker Neck Road, a later building which is now abandoned.

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Bond Methodist Episcopal Chapel

and/or common Bond Methodist Episcopal Chapel

2. Location

street & number R.D. 3, Quaker Neck Road not for publication

city, town Chestertown vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Kent

3. Classification

| Category | Ownership | Status | Present Use | |
|---|--|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> district | <input type="checkbox"/> public | <input 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 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 Bond Chapel, Inc.

street & number R.D. 3, Quaker Neck Road telephone no.:

city, town Chestertown state and zip code Maryland 21620

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Kent County Court House liber WHG 30

street & number folio 472

city, town Chestertown state Maryland 21620

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

te federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. K-280

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| 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 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.

Bond Chapel is a one-story brick structure with a shallow gable roof. Its main entry, in the northwest gable, is sheltered by low, gable-roofed frame entry. There is a one-story frame side addition, which makes the building an L in plan. Both the wing and the entry are later. See roof plan sketch.

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 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 | Builder/Architect |
|--|-------------------|
| check: Applicable Criteria: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D and/or | |
| Applicable Exception: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> G | |
| Level of Significance: <input type="checkbox"/> national <input type="checkbox"/> state <input type="checkbox"/> local | |

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

Bond Chapel is one of several small Greek Revival churches constructed by Methodist congregations in Kent County in the mid-nineteenth century. Elements of its Greek Revival styling are its shallow gable roof with the heavy cornice and return and its strong brick pilasters. The structure closely resembles Mowbray Chapel, further southwest on Quaker Neck Road, a later building which is now abandoned but which retains its original front doorway and has no side wing.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

A
 Zone Easting Northing

B
 Zone Easting Northing

C

D

E

F

G

H

Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

| state | code | county | code |
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| state | code | county | code |
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11. Form Prepared By

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organization County Commissioners of Kent County date 4/28/81
Historical Society of Kent County

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city or town Chestertown state Maryland 21620

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 Shaw House
 21 State Circle
 Annapolis, Maryland 21401
 (301) 269-2438

CONTINUATION SHEET

7.1 DESCRIPTION (continued)

Building Form and Material

1. Size - Main section: 1 story, 3 bays wide, 3 deep
 Wing A: 1 story, 1 bay wide, 1 deep
 Wing B: 1 story, 4 bays wide, 1 deep
 Wing C: 1 story, 4 bays wide, 1 deep
2. Plan type - Main Section: L plan; the nave is a large rectangular room with a gallery; the chancel extension projects at the southeast gable end. and is shed- roofed; Sunday School wing is perpendicular to nave.
3. Roof type - Main section: Shallow gable
 Wings: A - entry-gable; B - chancel- shed C - Wing-gable; D - shed
4. Chimneys - Location: ¹⁾ each side wall of main section, for stoves; ²⁾ rear gable wall of wing- for furnace.
 Materials: Brick
 Decorative elements: ¹⁾ Small, short and plain, in poor repair; ²⁾ modern, with furnace flue; band and corbelled cap
5. Material/Walls - Main section: Brick; random common bond, painted red; pilasters at corners and bay lines on sides.
 Wing A: Frame: German shiplap with plain cornerboards
 Wing B: Frame: lapped weatherboard
 Wing C: Frame: lapped weatherboard
6. Material/Roofs - Main section: asphalt shingles over wood shingles
 Wing A: asphalt shingles
 Wing B: asphalt shingles over wood shingles
 Wing C: asphalt shingles
7. Material Foundation- Main section: brick once parged; in poor repair
 Wing A: concrete block
 Wing B: piers with concrete block infill; repair
 Wing C: concrete block
8. Age - Main section: dated stone over entry- 1851
 Wings: A - late 19th or early 20th century
 B - appears contemporary with entry (church records mention repairs in 1879 and 1880) 1889 records mention length extended for new room;
 C - 20th Century

CONTINUATION SHEET

.2 Description (continued)

9. Style - Vernacular Greek Revival

BUILDING ELEMENTS AND DETAILS

1. Doors - Main Entry: center of gable end of Wing A. Doors are double and date from the mid 20th Century. There are small upper lights in a cross shape, a 2-light transom has colored glass which appears original, Trim - fillet and $1\frac{1}{4}$ inches inside bead.

Secondary entries: Wing B - the original gable end door was removed when wing C was added and a new door installed in wing B near the junction with wing-C

2. Windows - Main section: type - double-hung with aluminum storm windows
lights - large 2/2 with round headed upper sash and plain colored glass with pebble finish, lavender/light pink
details - On long sides there are flat, splayed arches of gauged brick and 1" bull nosed frames. The north-west gable end windows have plain, heavy wood lintels. Plain wood sills throughout.
shutters - removed; shutter dogs/ fasteners removed.
- Wings: type - double-hung
lights - Wing A- smaller 2/2; Wing B - 6/6
details - Wing A - upper sash; pink glass; trim for both is $1\frac{1}{4}$ " fillet and $\frac{1}{2}$ inside bead.
shutters - Wing A- none; Wing B - originals removed; modern fixed plastic shutters now in place.

3. Dormers - None

4. Roof details - Main section: prominent returns 40" in width; flat composite crown and bed moldings; fascia below bed molding

Wings: A&B - spire- type finials through roof ridge at gable ends (similar to those on Bond Chapel Parsonage (K-458) built ca.1881). Both wings have bold returns which, with cornice moldings, are modeled after those of main section.

5. Porches - large granite step is visible within the northwest gable wall of Wing A, perhaps earlier located at the entry to the main section before Wing A was built.

6. Color - current: brick- painted red with white trim. Wings are white.

Historic: ?

7. Other - Between wing A and the main section is the original double - doored entry from the exterior. Doors are 5-panel; there is a 2-light transom with rose-colored glass. Architrave trim is simple, with upper head trim either removed or now covered by ceiling of Wing A.

INTERIOR DESCRIPTION

1. Plan type - Main section- large rectangular room with gallery and recessed altar

CONTINUATION SHEET

.3 Description (continued)

2. Major stair - is to gallery; quarter turn type, open string for 6 steps, then continuing as winders; turned newel; 2 turned balusters per step; round handrail; 4-panel door to closet under stairs. The gallery is supported by round columns and has a paneled balustrade. Ceiling above gallery is flat with pine narrow beaded boards.
3. Major mantles -
4. Major trim - windows/doors: plain

Baseboards: Opening to chancel has architrave trim with sawn brackets. each side.

Chair rails: Altar rail with turned balusters
5. Major doors - Door from main section to Wing B has lock with date of 1885. Pews— main floor has replacements. Some originals in gallery.
6. Floors - Main section: random yellow pine now varnished; gallery - 12"-14" unplanned pine.
7. Walls/ceiling finishes - Modern plywood paneling; said to have had wainscoting originally Altar appears original with 2 deeply recessed panels with bolection moldings on front, 1 panel each side. Composite base.

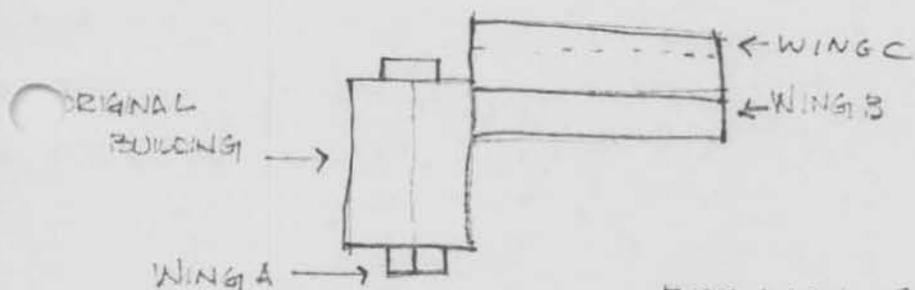
OUTBUILDINGS/SITE DESCRIPTION

1. Major Outbuildings - none
2. Site description - The site is surrounded by lawn with scattered large old trees and relatively recent dogwood plantings. Graves with stones are clustered in several areas on the property. A cast iron fence runs along the Quaker Neck Road frontage, about halfway between church and road.
3. Views to/from site - To the northwest and north across Quaker Neck Road the view is of cultivated fields. To the west, across Quaker Neck Road, is a large Victorian farmhouse with numerous outbuildings (York Farm, K-459).

USE OF BUILDING

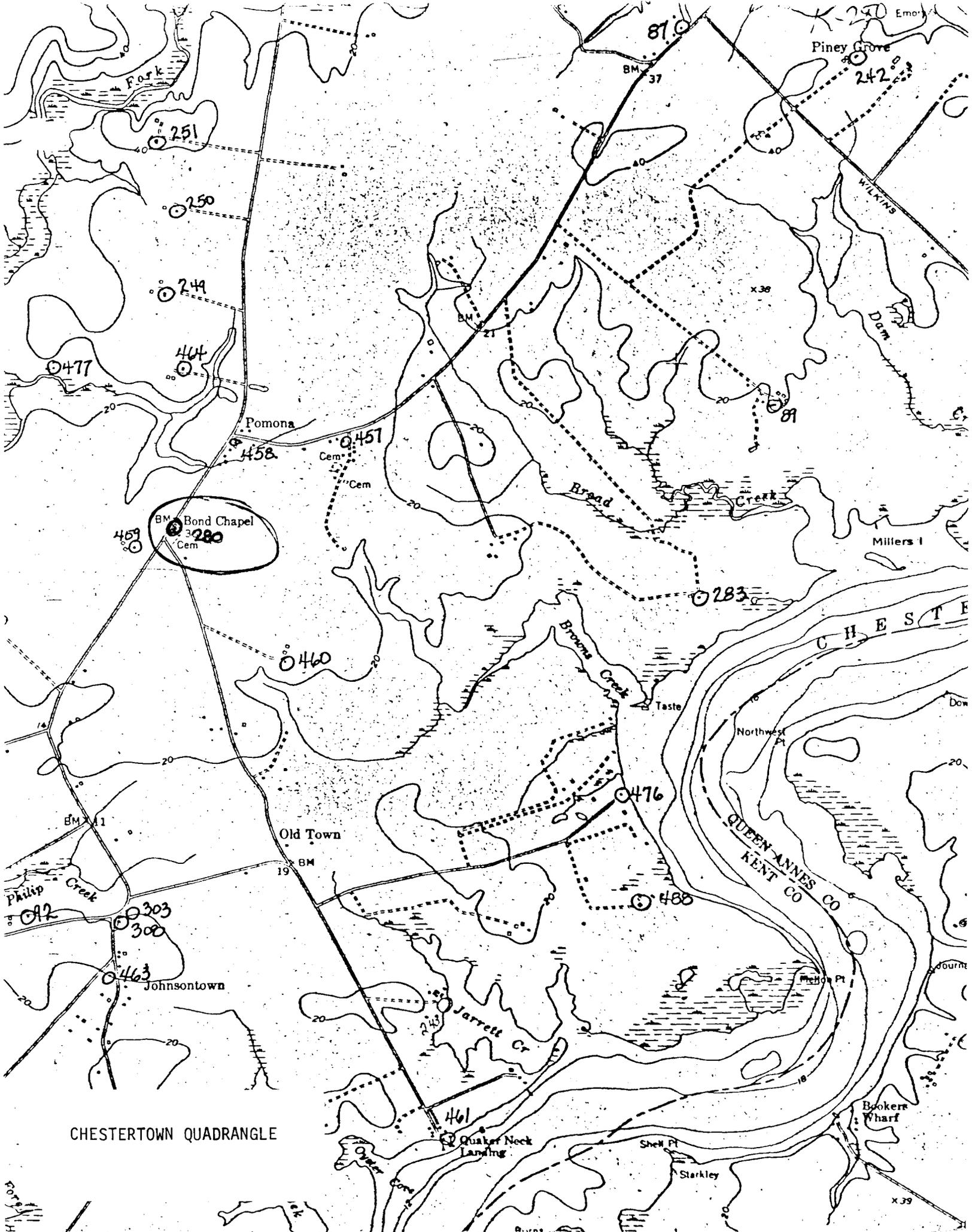
1. Current - church
2. Historic - Church

K-280



ROOF PLAN SKETCH.

BOND CHAPEL
K-280



CHESTERTOWN QUADRANGLE

Piney Grove

Pomona

Old Town

Johnsonstown

Quaker Neck Landing

Bookers Wharf

Bond Chapel

CHESTER

QUEEN ANNES CO
KENT CO

Scale bar

x 39



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Bond Methodist Chapel

Rt. 289, Quaker Neck, near Chestertown

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View to west



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View to southeast