

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE Maryland	
COUNTY Anne Arundel	
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ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

**1. NAME**

COMMON  
St. Paul's Chapel

AND/OR HISTORIC  
St. Paul's Chapel

**2. LOCATION**

STREET AND NUMBER:  
Maryland Route 178

CITY OR TOWN:  
Crownsville

STATE Maryland	CODE 24	COUNTY Anne Arundel	CODE 003
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**3. CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____
Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			

**4. OWNER OF PROPERTY**

OWNER'S NAME:  
Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of Maryland

STREET AND NUMBER:  
105 West Monument Street

CITY OR TOWN:  
Baltimore

STATE Maryland	CODE 24
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**5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.  
Anne Arundel County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:  
Church Circle

CITY OR TOWN:  
Annapolis

STATE Maryland	CODE 24
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**6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE OF SURVEY:  
Maryland Register of historic sites and landmarks

DATE OF SURVEY: 1969  
 Federal  State  County  Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:  
Maryland Historical Trust

STREET AND NUMBER:  
2525 Riva Road

CITY OR TOWN:  
Annapolis

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## 7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

(Check One)

Excellent     Good     Fair     Deteriorated     Ruins     Unexposed

(Check One)

Altered     Unaltered     Moved     Original Site

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE.

St. Paul's Chapel is located on the southwest corner of Maryland Route 178 and Crownsville Road.

St. Paul's, Crownsville, is a small, board and batten, frame church composed of a simple rectangular nave, a small west entrance porch, a small deep chancel on the east end, and two very small utility sections added to the sides of the chancel on the east end of the nave. There is one diamond shaped window above the pointed arched entrance porch, and there is a simple belfry above the porch which is surmounted by a cross. There are three lancet windows on each side of the nave, the diamond shaped pane in each contains stained glass of geometric patterns. There is a triple lancet with stained glass on the chancel (east) wall, in memory of Reverend B.T.H. Maycock. There is one pointed side door on the north side at the rear (east) of the church.

The interior is plain and there are simple white, slip pews. The ceiling at the rear (west) of the church is lower and is supported by two square columns which screen off a narthex. There is a simple marble font.

There is a small cemetery to the east of the church which dates from the 1860's.

St. Paul's Chapel, although lacking a wealth of ornament, would appear to be one of the more modest, and more successful, designs taken from Richard Upjohn's Rural Architecture (1852), the book which supplied design suggestions to small parishes desiring a church of proper proportions according to Ecclesiological principles. The proportional relationship of the major elements of St. Paul's Chapel strongly suggests use of the Upjohn pattern book. Despite its small size, the totality of the design of St. Paul's Chapel results in an architectural integrity rarely achieved in wealthy urban churches.

The stained glass window at St. Paul's was designed by Rowan LeCompte, presently (1969) a stained glass window artisan at the Cathedral Church of St. Peter and St. Paul, Washington, D.C.

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## 8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian       16th Century       18th Century       20th Century  
 15th Century       17th Century       19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1865

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal     | <input type="checkbox"/> Education    | <input type="checkbox"/> Political                | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric    | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Religion/Phi- | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic       | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry     | losophy   | <u>Architecture</u>                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture    | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention    | <input type="checkbox"/> Science                  | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture   | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape    | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture                | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art            | <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Human-            | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce       | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature   | itarian   | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Military     | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater                  | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation   | <input type="checkbox"/> Music        | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation           | _____   |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

St. Paul's Chapel may be an example of a church built, not by an architect, but, rather, by following plans of Richard Upjohn, the noted nineteenth century American architect, published in his Rural Architecture.

Upjohn, born in England, came to the United States in 1829 and set up architectural practice in New Bedford, Massachusetts. Five years later Upjohn had moved to New York City where he was working on the designs of Trinity Church (1839-1846) at the top of Wall Street. Modeled on English Gothic examples, Trinity Church inaugurated a new departure in American Gothic Revival. Upjohn was a founder of the American Institute of Architects and its first president (1875-1876). The significance of Upjohn's contribution to American architecture was expanded by his architectural books, such as Rural Architecture (1852). Through the "borrowing" of Upjohn's designs by the readers of his books, his influence on American architecture spread.

The history of St. Paul's Chapel begins in the years immediately before the Civil War. When the Reverend Henry R. Payne was rector for Severn Parish (1858 to 1861) he began holding regular Protestant Episcopal services at Severn, or Old Cross Roads, without a church building. His enthusiasm for this missionary work infected his parishoners who raised \$700 toward the construction of what has become St. Paul's Chapel. On May 10, 1865, the Right Reverend Horatio Southgate, Bishop of Maryland, consecrated the chapel. After the installation of the Reverend B.H.T. Maycock, as rector of Severn Parish from 1884 to 1889, the chancel of the chapel was expanded and enlarged.

For a century St. Paul's Chapel served communicants of Severn Parish. In 1966, at the request of the parishoners of Severn Parish the ownership of St. Paul's was transferred from the parish to the Diocese of Maryland. At this time St. Paul's was used as a chapel for the Crownsville State Hospital. Two years later the Chaplain at the hospital, who was also the Vicar of St. Paul's, discontinued regular hospital use of the

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Upjohn, Richard, Rural Architecture, 1852.

Upjohn, Everard M. Richard Upjohn, Architect and Churchman, 1939.

Stanton, Phoebe. The Gothic Revival and American Church Architecture, 1968.

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10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES					
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE			LONGITUDE		
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
NW	39° 01' 36"	76° 36' 07"							
NE	39° 01' 36"	76° 35' 57"							
SE	39° 01' 28"	76° 35' 57"							
SW	39° 01' 28"	76° 36' 07"							

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 16 acres

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:  
**Nancy Miller and William D. Morgan**

ORGANIZATION: **Maryland Historical Trust** DATE: **July 27, 1972**

STREET AND NUMBER:  
**2525 Riva Road**

CITY OR TOWN: **Annapolis** STATE: **Maryland** CODE: **24**

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665); I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National  State  Local

Name Orlando Ridout IV

Title State Liaison Officer for Maryland

Date July 27, 1972

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Keeper of The National Register

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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#8. SIGNIFICANCE continued

Chapel although it was not deconsecrated, and is used only for occasional baptisms and weddings.

#9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES continued

Interview by Beth Grovesnor with Father Cecil Marshall, Chaplin of Crownsville State Hospital and Vicar of St. Paul's Chapel; Father Donald Libby, Rector of Severn Parish, June 24, 1969.

Hall, Thomas W. A History of Severn Parish, Anne Arundel County, Maryland: From Its Beginning in 1838, Down to About 1890..., Vol. I, 1909, at St. Stephen's Church, Crownsville, Maryland.

Maryland Historical Records Survey Project, Inventory of the Church Archives of Maryland - Protestant Episcopal: Diocese of Maryland, 1940.

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PROPERTY PHOTOGRAPH FORM

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2. LOCATION  
STREET AND NUMBER: Southwest corner of Route 178 at the intersection  
of Maryland Route 178 and Crownsville Road  
CITY OR TOWN: Crownsville  
STATE: Maryland

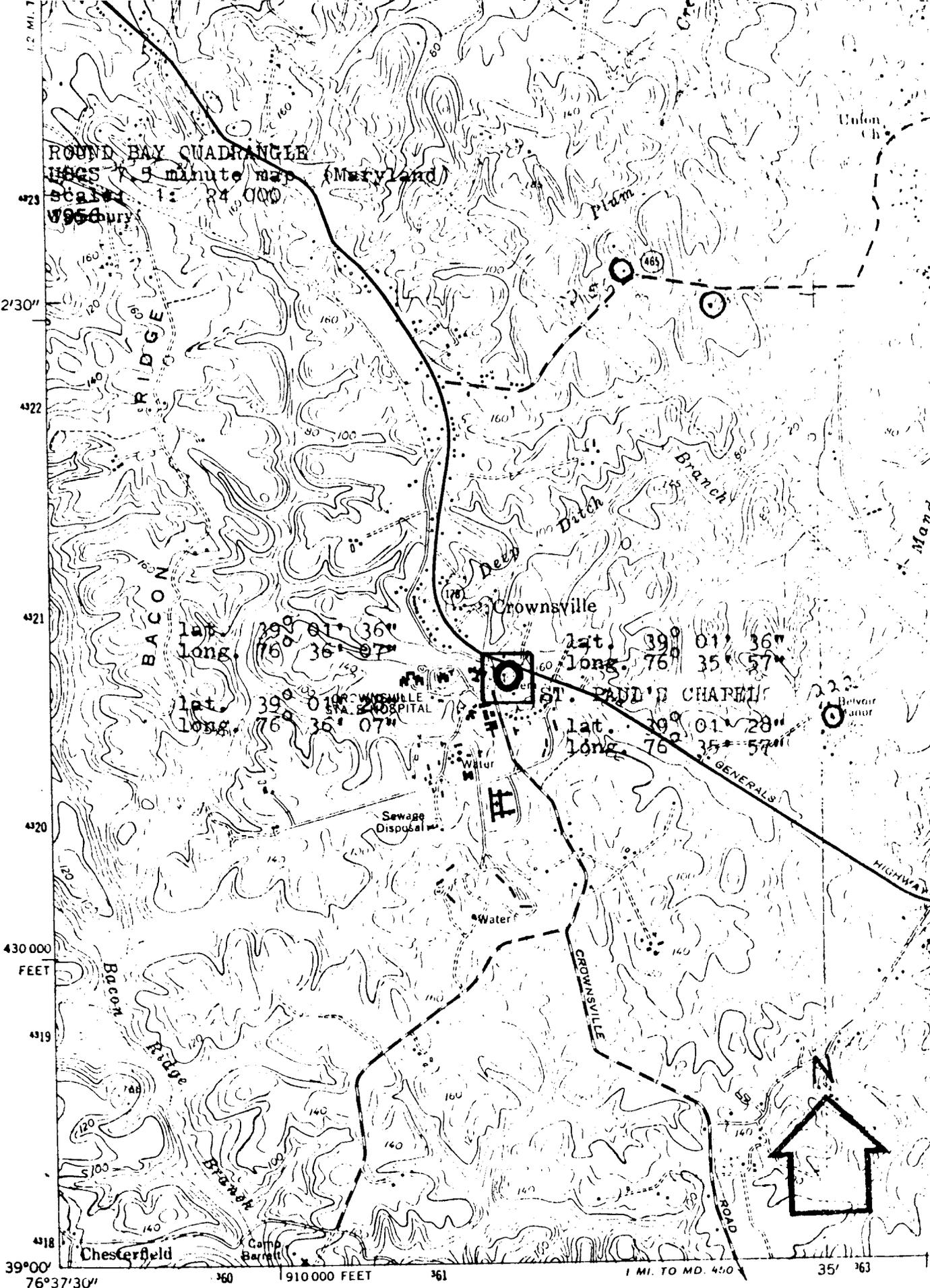
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3. PHOTO REFERENCE  
PHOTO CREDIT: William Morgan  
DATE OF PHOTO: June 1969  
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2525 Riva Road, Annapolis, Maryland 21401

4. IDENTIFICATION  
DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC.  
Southwest elevations

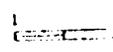
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