

WO-367
St. Luke's Methodist Church
Snow Hill vicinity
Private

1901

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HISTORIC CONTEXT INFORMATION

Resource Name: ST. LUKE'S METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

MHT Inventory Number: W0-367

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA:

- 1) Historic Period Theme(s): ARCHITECTURE
RELIGION
- 2) Geographic Orientation: EASTERN SHORE
- 3) Chronological/Developmental Period(s):
URBAN/INDUSTRIAL DOMINANCE
1870-1901
- 4) Resource Type(s):
Church

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. WO-367

Magi No.

DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic ST. LUKE'S METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

and/or common

2. Location

street & number St. Luke's Road not for publication

city, town Snow Hill vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Worcester

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 checked="" 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 Trustees of St. Luke's Methodist Church

street & number St. Luke's Road telephone no.:

city, town state and zip code

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Worcester County Clerk of Court liber

street & number Worcester County Courthouse folio

city, town Snow Hill state MD 21863

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date federal state county local

pository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

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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.

St. Luke's Methodist Episcopal church is located on the east side of St. Luke's Road approximately eight miles northwest of Snow Hill, Worcester County, Maryland. The single-story, rectangular frame church faces west with the gable roof oriented on an east/west axis.

Built in 1901, this rectangular single-story, gable-front frame church is supported by brick piers, and the building is sheathed with vinyl siding. The steeply pitched roof is covered with asphalt shingles. Standing on the north side of the church is a single story frame social hall.

The west (main) elevation is a three-bay facade with a center double door entrance and flanking pointed arch window openings. The windows, the entrance transom, and a diamond shaped gable end window have been boarded over. Fixed in the southwest corner of the brick pier foundation is a marble datestone inscribed, "St. Luke M. E. Church 1901." The eaves to the roof are slightly extended with small decorative brackets in the lower corners.

The north and south side elevations are largely alike with three pointed arch window openings in each side. Like the front, the windows have been boarded over. Rising through the roof are interior side brick chimney stacks.

The back of the church or the east end is marked by a three-sided apse with pointed arch window openings in two sides.

The interior was not seen.

The single-story church hall next door is a weatherboard frame structure covered by a low pitched tin roof. A minimal brick foundation supports the building, and large sized boarded over openings mark each side. A board door is centered on the west gable end.

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/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates 1901 **Builder/Architect**

check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D
and/or
Applicable Exception: A B C D E F G
Level of Significance: national state local

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

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