

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

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1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Johnsville M. E. Church

and/or common Johnsville U.M. Church

2. Location

street & number Johnsville Road not for publication

city, town Eldersburg X vicinity of congressional district

state Maryland county Carroll

3. Classification

Table with 5 columns: Category, Ownership, Status, Accessible, Present Use. Includes checkboxes for building(s), site, object, public/private/both, occupied/unoccupied/work in progress, yes/restricted/unrestricted/no, and various present uses like agriculture, commercial, educational, etc.

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Johnsville Methodist Church c/o Gladys Collins

street & number telephone no.:

city, town Sykesville state and zip code MD 21784

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Courthouse Annex liber

street & number 55 N. Court Street folio

city, town Westminster state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical 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 type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input checked="" 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.

The Johnsville M. E. Church is located on the north side of Johnsville Road in southeast Carroll County about 3/4 of a mile northwest of Eldersburg. The church is set on a slight slope down to the north, with a cemetery north of the building. It has a rubble stone foundation, asbestos shingle siding with corner boards covering German siding, and a gable roof with asphalt shingles, new aluminum soffits, and a north-south ridge. The building is one bay by four bays, and is one story tall. There is a new stucco addition on the south and east sides of the church. There are no openings in the gable end of the original structure on the south elevation. At the southeast corner of the original building, rising above the later addition that surrounds it, is an open bell tower with four square wood corner posts, an ogee cornice moulding, and a hip roof with asphalt shingles. The southwest corner of the south elevation foundation has a marble datestone with "Johnsville M. E. Church 1920". The new wing on the east elevation has four re-used 4/4 sash with blue glass. The north elevation has two 2/2 sash in the foundation, with no other openings. The west elevation has four 4/4 sash with blue glass and plain wood surrounds in the upper story. The foundation has one 2/2 sash in the north bay and a four-light sash between the south and south-central bays.

The interior has three-inch wide pine flooring running north-south. The walls are panelled. The gabled ceiling is plastered and is flat at the peak, following the tie beams, most likely. The whole east wall has been opened up into the new addition. The old south wall has new flush wood doors, but the gable end has an oculus with a round center light surrounded by twelve lights, all with blue glass. This oculus is only visible from the interior now. The church has a center aisle. The pews have a roundel on the end at the top, and at the end of the arm rest. There is a raised shield below. There is a raised dais on the north end that is new and has new furniture, except for several old walnut chairs with foliate carving on the top rails and red velvet seats and backs.

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 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 1920 Builder/Architect unknown

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.

Geographic Organization: Piedmont

Chronological/Development Period: Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930

Historic Period Themes: Religion

Resource Types: Church, Rural vernacular

Though built as late as 1920, the Johnsville M. E. Church still has a strong affinity with traditional rural Carroll County churches. The corner bell tower, however, represents the late influence of national trends in church architecture. The building has suffered a considerable loss of integrity due to alterations and additions.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreege of nominated property 1.5

Quadrangle name Finksburg

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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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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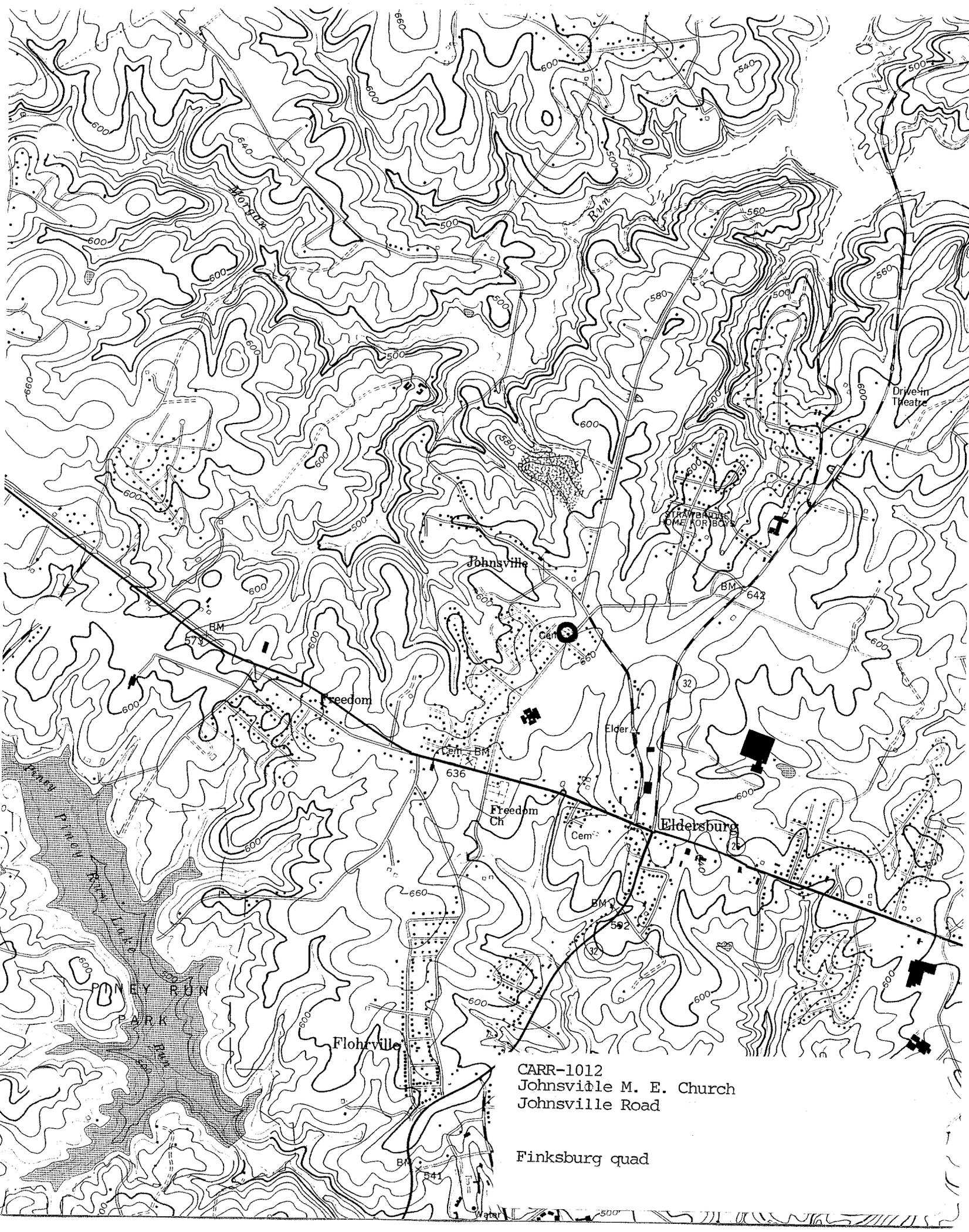
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 Johnsville M. E. Church
 Johnsville Road

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Johnsville M. E. Church
Johnsville Road

Finksburg quad



Johnsville M.E. Church

Johnsville Road

Carroll County, Maryland

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Date: July 1993

Neg. Loc.: Maryland Historical Trust
west & south elevations

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