

SMITHVILLE METHODIST CHURCH

This two story brick structure is one of the earliest surviving Methodist Churches in Southern Maryland. <sup>It is</sup> Four bays in length and three bays in depth, <sup>with</sup> the principle facade ~~is~~ at the east end. Exterior windows and doors and the eaves have heavy boxed bracketed cornices in a modified Italianate style. The galleried interior is **V**ictorian Gothic in character.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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MAGI # 0500265408

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Smithville Methodist Church

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

Chaneyville Road (Now Ferry Landing Road, MD 525)

CITY, TOWN

Dunkirk

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Calvert

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input 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 type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Liber #: AWR 1; TBT 5

Folio #: 11; 535

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

CLVT #6

DATE

\_\_\_ FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY \_\_\_ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

CT-6

**7 DESCRIPTION**

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input 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		

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

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 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 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

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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**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

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

Wayne Nield II

DATE

ORGANIZATION

Historic Sites Survey

TELEPHONE

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Prince Frederick, MD 20678

STATE

CITY OR TOWN

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Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
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The A-line roof and deep cornices are typical of Greek Revival architecture. The brackets would appear to be a later Victorian addition because of stylistic differences and the fact that the matching window cornices partially cover the brick segmented arches.

This church is two and one half stories with no steeple. The church dates from 1843 according to records and Mrs. Mettam whose great-grandfather had it built. A stained glass window in the front gable says "dedicated 1840".

The brackets give the building an Italianate Character, in the gable ends a decorative level runs with the roof line. This same character is strengthened by the colored and frosted glass windows.

The interior is not lavish nor is it void of decoration. The aforementioned windows fill it with a nice light. There are galleries above the side aisles and entrances supported by simple pillars. These contain pews which appear to be older than the ones down stairs. Two brass chandeliers hang from the ends of a large crucifix which is painted in the ceiling.



1851  
Sum. 7/11/11  
S.E. Co. Va.

1851  
Sum. 7/11/11

X 11



CLVT-6  
S.M. Meth. Ch.  
N.W. corner

CF-3

8-11

W. Field  
Seam - 76



C1-6

Southville Methodist graveyard

looking N.

15

Wayne Field  
Summer '76



CLUT-6 LT-6  
Sum. Meth.

1-8

Wayne Nield  
Sum. 76



HOWARD SEWELL

Infant son of Thomas  
Polner and Julia Lyons

Born in Philadelphia Pa  
December 18 1897

Died in Philadelphia Pa  
June 26 1908

Age 10 years 6 months  
and 8 days

CLUT 6  
~~CLUT 6~~

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Sm. Method Graveyard

Wayne Field

Sum - 76