

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

DIVISION FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION
NEW YORK STATE PARKS AND RECREATION
ALBANY, NEW YORK (518) 474-0479

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

UNIQUE SITE NO. 001-06-0124
QUAD _____
SERIES _____
NEG. NO. _____

YOUR NAME: Town of Guilderland DATE: June 1, 1979

YOUR ADDRESS: Town Hall, Guilderland TELEPHONE: _____
N.Y.

ORGANIZATION (if any): _____

IDENTIFICATION

1. BUILDING NAME(S): Hamilton Union Presbyterian Church (Building #5)
 2. COUNTY Albany TOWN/CITY Guilderland VILLAGE: _____
 3. STREET LOCATION: 2291 Western Tpk
 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private
 5. PRESENT OWNER: Trustees, H.U.P.C. ADDRESS: Box 151 Guilderland, N.Y. 12084
 6. USE: Original: church Present: church
 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes No
 Interior accessible: Explain Sundays and by appointment

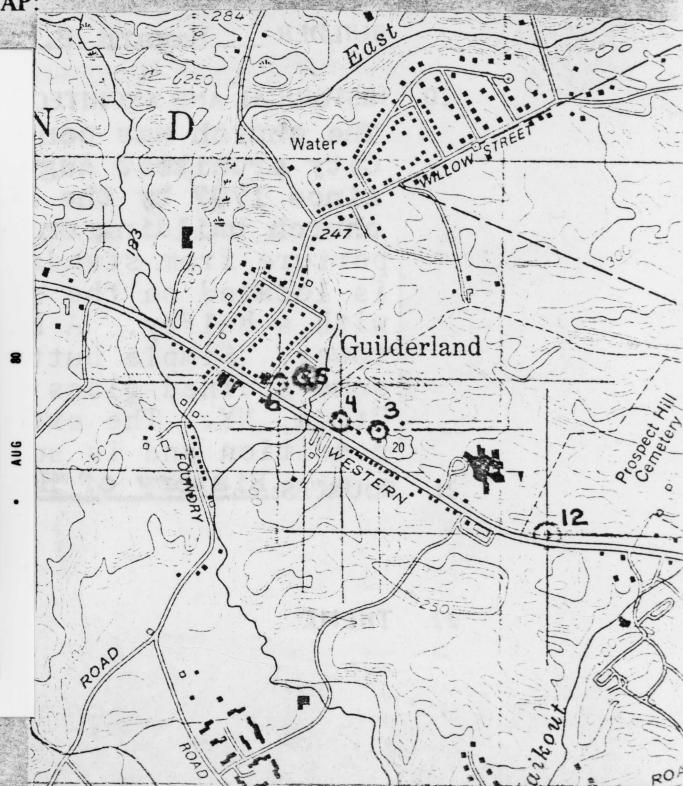
DESCRIPTION

8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard b. stone c. brick d. board and batten
 e. cobblestone f. shingles g. stucco other: _____
 9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: a. wood frame with interlocking joints
 (if known) b. wood frame with light members
 c. masonry load bearing walls
 d. metal (explain) _____
 e. other buttresses on side walls
 10. CONDITION: a. excellent b. good c. fair d. deteriorated
 11. INTEGRITY: a. original site b. moved if so, when? _____
 c. list major alterations and dates (if known):
1972 - interior partition removed and structural tie-rods installed
1963 - education annex constructed

12. PHOTO:



13. MAP:



14. THREATS TO BUILDING: a. none known b. zoning c. roads
d. developers e. deterioration
f. other: _____

15. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS AND PROPERTY:

a. barn b. carriage house c. garage
d. privy e. shed f. greenhouse
g. shop h. gardens
i. landscape features: **parking lot on south side**
j. other: **educational annex 1963 (not historic)**

16. SURROUNDINGS OF THE BUILDING (check more than one if necessary):

a. open land b. woodland
c. scattered buildings
d. densely built-up e. commercial
f. industrial g. residential
h. other: _____

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:

(Indicate if building or structure is in an historic district)

The church is set back from Western Avenue and is located in a residential area.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):

The Stick Style church has a large open bell tower on the south side. The building has an unusual structural design that incorporates buttresses to compensate for the lack of roof trusses. The interior retains the original pews and red pine woodwork.

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: **1886**

ARCHITECT: **August Howe**

BUILDER: **Howard P. Foster & Martin Talmage**

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

The church was constructed in 1886 and designed by New York City architect August Howe. The church has been supported since 1797 by the hamlet of Hamiltonville and is the third church building on this site. The church is unusual in its departure from standard ecclesiastical design. The main entrance is located on the side of the nave beneath a Stick style tower with a belfry. A bracketed cornice surrounds the building and tower. Simple buttresses punctuate the side walls. The handsome stained-glass windows were crafted by Charles P. Davis of Utica, NY. The exterior of the original structure is in excellent condition and is substantially intact. The church is historically

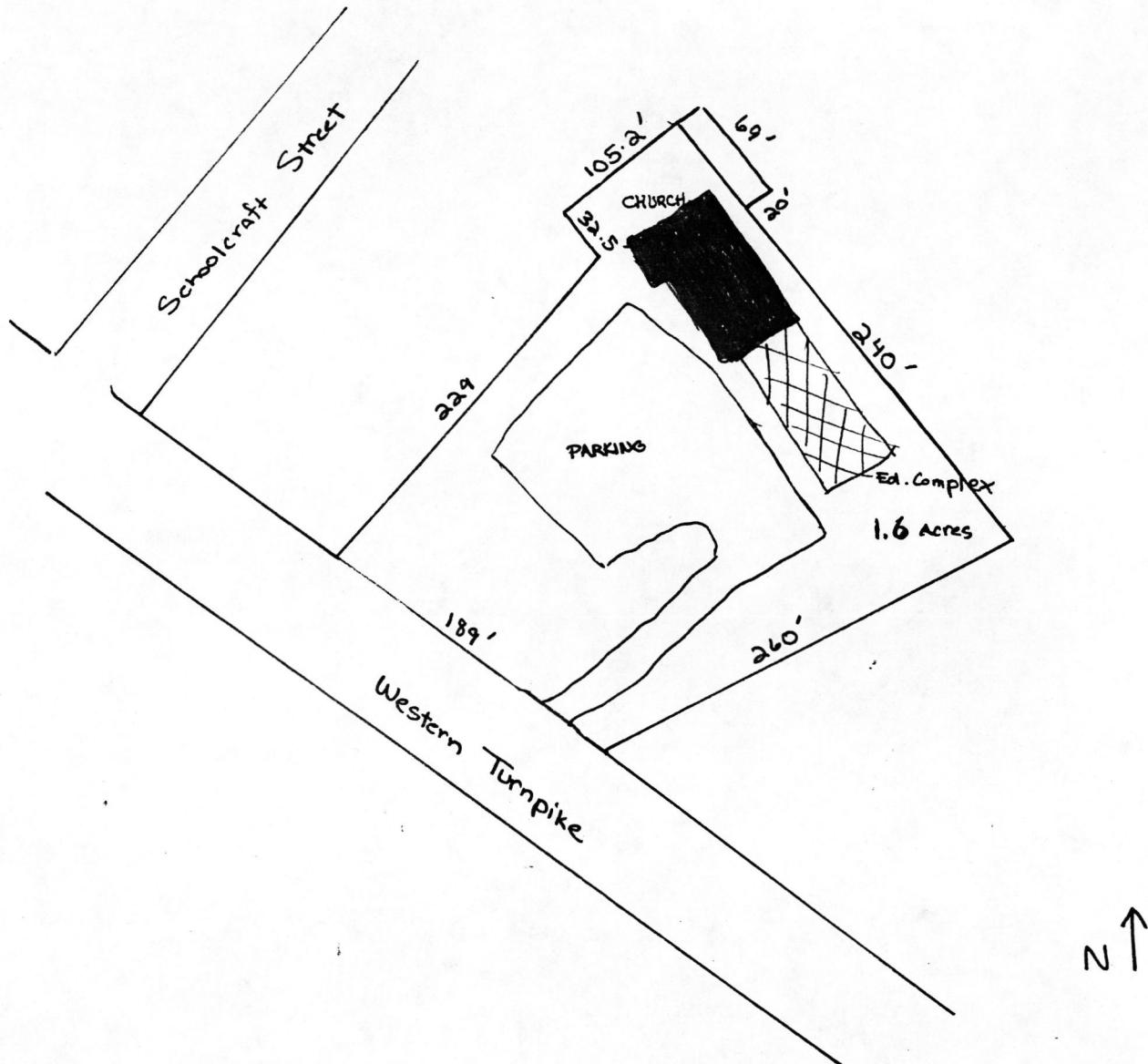
21. SOURCES: **History of Hamilton Union Church: W. & M. Embier, 1974**

22. THEME:

Historic Resources of Guilderland (Phase I)
Guilderland, NY
Albany County
Hamilton Union Presbyterian Church (Building #5)

continuation sheet

20. and architecturally significant as the social and visual focus of Hamilton-ville.



1"=100'

Historic Resources of
Guilderland Phase I
Albany County Guilderland
New York
Site Map (from tax map)
Smith & Mahoney 1979

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES**EVALUATION / RETURN SHEET**

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

Hamilton Union Presbyterian Church (Guilderland
MRA)
Albany County
NEW YORK

Working No. 9/29/82-2682

Fed. Reg. Date: 2.1.83

Date Due: 9/29/82 - 1/13/82

Action: ACCEPT 4/10/82

RETURN

REJECT

Federal Agency: _____

resubmission
 nomination by person or local government
 owner objection
 appeal

Entered in the
Register

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom. / Criteria _____

Reviewer _____

Discipline _____

Date _____

____ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: technical corrections cited below
 substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name**2. Location****3. Classification**

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
Public Acquisition		Accessible	

4. Owner of Property**5. Location of Legal Description****6. Representation in Existing Surveys**

Has this property been determined eligible? yes no

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 type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

summary paragraph
 completeness
 clarity
 alterations/integrity
 dates
 boundary selection

8. Significance

Period Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder Architect

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- applicable criteria
- justification of areas checked
- relating significance to the resource
- context
- relationship of integrity to significance
- justification of exception
- other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Average of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UMT References

Verbal boundary description and justification

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national state local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

Title _____ Date _____

13. Other

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____

Date _____

Phone: 202 272-3504

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet

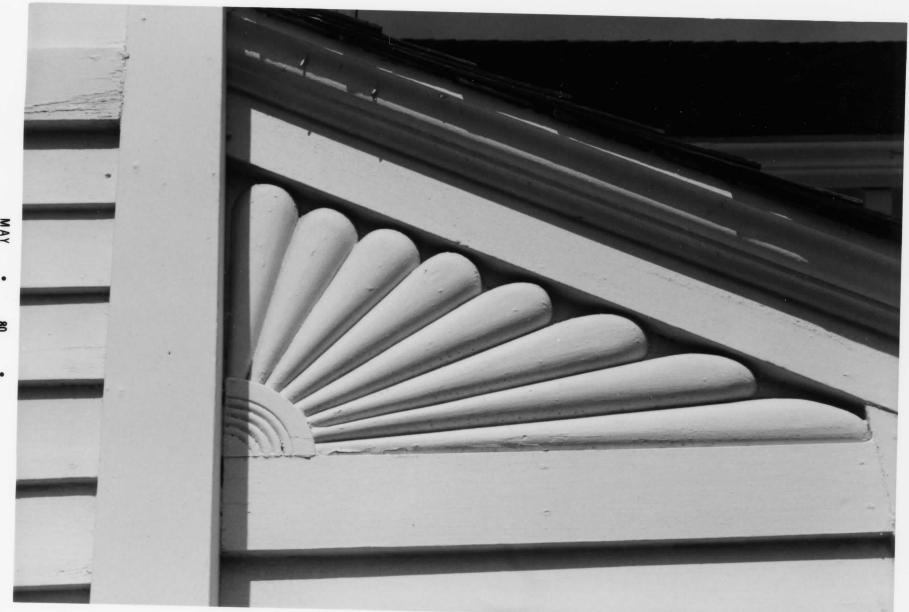
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Building #5
HAMILTON UNION PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH
Detail of open belfry

Detail of carved
detailing



HAMILTON UNION PRESBYTERIAN

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Non-contributing addition

