

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

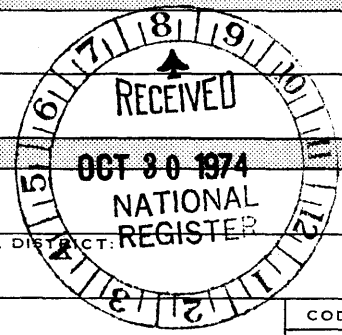
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STATE:  
**Wisconsin**

COUNTY:  
**Milwaukee**

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ENTRY DATE  
**DEC 27 1974**



**1. NAME**

COMMON:  
**Immanuel Presbyterian Church**

AND/OR HISTORIC:

**2. LOCATION**

STREET AND NUMBER:  
**1100 North Astor Street**

CITY OR TOWN:  
**Milwaukee**

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT:  
**5th**

STATE: **Wisconsin** CODE: **53202** COUNTY: **Milwaukee** CODE: **079**

**3. CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
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) _____ _____

**4. OWNER OF PROPERTY**

OWNER'S NAME:  
**Immanuel Presbyterian Society of the City of Milwaukee**

STREET AND NUMBER:  
**1100 North Astor Street**

CITY OR TOWN:  
**Milwaukee**

STATE: **Wisconsin** CODE: **53202**

**5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:  
**Milwaukee County Courthouse**

STREET AND NUMBER:  
**901 North Ninth Street**

CITY OR TOWN:  
**Milwaukee**

STATE: **Wisconsin** CODE: **53233**

**6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE OF SURVEY:  
**Historic American Buildings Survey**

DATE OF SURVEY: **1970-71**  Federal  State  County  Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:  
**Library of Congress**

STREET AND NUMBER:  
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CITY OR TOWN:  
**Washington**

STATE: **20540** CODE: **11**  
**District of Columbia**

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7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

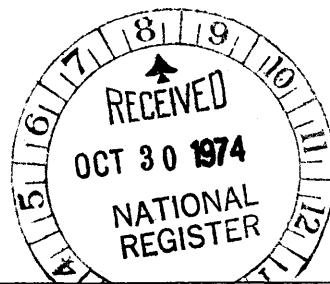
The Historic American Buildings Survey data-report describes Immanuel Church as "asymmetrical in plan and elevations, picturesque in silhouette, rich and varied in color, texture, materials, and ornament" and notes that the building is, on the exterior, an excellent example of the High Victorian Gothic style.

The church stands on the east side of North Astor Street, a few blocks north and east of downtown Milwaukee. Viewed from the west, its plan takes the shape of the upper case Greek letter gamma, the north wing, oriented east-west, composing the "vertical," the south wing, oriented north-south, the "horizontal." At the northwest and southwest corners of the north wing are towers. Between the towers is the main entrance, with three arched portals opening onto a recessed porch which gives access to both towers and to the broad vestibule that extends the length of the north wing. Three sets of double doors on the south side of the vestibule open into the church proper, which occupies the south wing. On the north side of the vestibule are the chapel and parlor, at the east end a stairway connecting basement, first, and second stories. The second floor of the north wing contains a kitchen, assembly room, and brides' room. Steeply pitched intersecting gabled roofs crown the composition.

The walls are <sup>y</sup>random ashlar, rock-faced cream-gray Wauwatosa limestone trimmed about the openings and in belt courses with red-orange and warm gray sandstone. Polished red granite columns flank the entrance portals, which are fitted with intricate wrought iron gates, and multi-colored tiles cover the floor of the recessed porch. The shed dormers of the clerestory windows, the north gable end, and an oriel on the east elevation all have red shingle siding. The roofing is blue-gray slate.

The exterior just described is essentially as designed by Edward Townsend Mix in the early 1870s, the only major change having been construction of an addition at the south end of the south wing--to enlarge the chancel--in 1957-58. On the interior the church has been substantially altered, largely as a result of the fire that swept through the building in December 1887, gutting the south wing and damaging portions of the north wing. When the auditorium was rebuilt in 1888-89, no attempt was made to duplicate the original interior, which had been as bold and colorful as the exterior. The new design, which, in the main, survives to the present, was considerably less elaborate, lacking the nave arcade, vaulted aisle, and sumptuous ornament of its predecessor. As indicated, the chancel was extended in the 1950s, and at this time new pews and pulpit were installed, the 19th century woodwork bleached to match the new furnishings, and other redecoration carried out.

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**SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian	<input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century
<input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century	

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1873-75

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<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/Philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
<input type="checkbox"/> Historic	<input type="checkbox"/> Industry	<input type="checkbox"/> Science	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> Invention	<input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Art	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature	<input type="checkbox"/> Theater	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Communications	<input type="checkbox"/> Music		
<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation			

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Designated as a Milwaukee Landmark in 1969 and recorded for the Historic American Buildings Survey in 1970-71, Immanuel Presbyterian Church is, on the exterior, Milwaukee's prime example of the bold, eclectic High Victorian Gothic style. It was built for a congregation established in 1870 through the merger of First Presbyterian Church and North Presbyterian Church. And it was designed by the city's leading architect of the period--Edward Townsend Mix.



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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Pagel, Mary Ellen, "Immanuel Presbyterian Church," Historical Messenger of the Milwaukee County Historical Society, XXI, September, 1965, 82-95.  
 Perrin, Richard W. E., The Architecture of Wisconsin, Madison, 1967, 80-81.  
 Perrin, Richard W. E., Milwaukee Landmarks, Milwaukee, 1968, 16.

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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				
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NE	° ' "	° ' "		U.T.M. Zone 16:		
SE	° ' "	° ' "		426,770 E.		
SW	° ' "	° ' "		4,765,970 N.		

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 1.0

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:  
 Mary Ellen Wietczykowski, Chairman

ORGANIZATION: Milwaukee Landmarks Commission

DATE: Aug. 8, 1974

STREET AND NUMBER:  
 734 North Ninth Street

CITY OR TOWN: Milwaukee

STATE: Wisconsin

CODE: 55

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

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: James Morton Smith  
 James Morton Smith

Title: Director, State Historical Society of Wisconsin

Date: Dec. 23, 1974

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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

DR Mortensen  
 Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date: 12/27/74

ATTEST:  
W. M. [Signature]  
 Keeper of The National Register

Date: DEC 26 1974

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IMMANUEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

6. Wisconsin Inventory of Historic Buildings and Sites (State)

1971

State Historical Society of Wisconsin

816 State Street

Madison

Wisconsin 53706 Code: 55

11. Donald N. Anderson, Asst. Director, Historic Sites & Markers Division

State Historical Society of Wisconsin

October 2, 1974

816 State Street

Madison

Wisconsin 53706 Code: 55

