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1 NAME

HISTORIC

All Hallows Episcopal Church

AND/OR COMMON

LOCATION

CITY, TOWN			CONGRESSIONAL DIST	FRICT
	Snow Hill	VICINITY OF	First	
STATE		CODE	COUNTY	CODE
	Maryland	24	Worcester	047

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRES	ENTUSE
DISTRICT	PUBLIC		AGRICULTURE	MUSEUM
X_BUILDING(S)	XPRIVATE		COMMERCIAL	PARK
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SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	ENTERTAINMENT	X_RELIGIOUS
OBJECT	IN PROCESS	XYES: RESTRICTED	GOVERNMENT	SCIENTIFIC
	BEING CONSIDERED	YES: UNRESTRICTED	_INDUSTRIAL	TRANSPORTATION
		NO	MILITARY	OTHER:

OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME The Vest and The	ry of All Hallows Parish, c/c Reverend William H. Yutzy III	Richard Jones, Re	gistrar
STREET & NUMBER			
109 West	Federal Street		
CITY, TOWN		STATE	
Snow Hil		Marvland	21863
LOCATION (DF LEGAL DESCRIPTION		
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CITY, TOWN		STATE	
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CITY, TOWN		STATE	

7 DESCRIPTION

CO	NDITION	CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
excellent X_good	DETERIORATED	UNALTERED	X-ORIGINAL SITE
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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

All Hallows Episcopal Church, 101 North Church Street, Snow Hill, Maryland, was built during the mid-eighteenth century. In 1748, an Act of the Colonial Assembly appropriated money for building the church by means of a levy of tobacco on taxable inhabitants. The rectangular, brick building was completed after an additional levy in 1756 under Reverend John Rosse who was rector from 1754 to 1775. The building has a gable roof with a deep cove cornice. Reinforcing the southwestern corner are two brick buttresses, one to the front (west) and the other on the side. The nave, four bays in length, has very long circular-headed windows with small panes now of white translucent glass surrounded by a band of red. Flanking the entrance are two similar windows. Originally, the church had side entrances and a hexagonal cupola at the western end. The cupola was removed in 1891 when a slate roof was installed. At that time, the bell μ_{r_2} a gift of Queen Anne, was hung next to the church. Initially there was high, step-up box pews, brick aisles and a gallery for slaves around three sides of the sanctuary. The Bible, published in London in 1701, and the linen and lace Euchasistic Veil were given by Queen Anne. The ornate brass pulpit and lecturn dates from after 1859 and the marble font near the entrance from 1877.

Significant alterations have been made to the original structure. In 1872, the box pews and side galleries were removed and the brick floors covered with wood. The gallery now extends across the rear of the church. A few of the 1872 pews were moved to the rear of the church when they were replaced in the 1960's. There was more extensive work in 1891 when the chancel with its carved marble altar and reredos The pulpit, originally placed in the northeast corner, was was built. moved to the east end. The altar was flanked by large windows similar to the others before the chancel was added and the stained glass window installed over it. At this time, the brick interior walls were plastered and the side entrances were closed and replaced by windows. In addition, a painted, stretched canvas ceiling was placed over earlier tongue-and-groove boards which covered earlier exposed beams that had been damaged by a fire. The clear glass windows were replaced with stained glass in 1899. When the brick retaining wall along the two street sides was built in 1938, the 1862 wrought iron fence was moved outward to enclose the extended church yard. Attached to the rear of the church is the Parish House addition built in 1956.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW					
-PREHISTORIC	ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	COMMUNITY PLANNING	LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	X_RELIGION	
1400-1499	ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	CONSERVATION	LAW	SCIENCE	
1500-1599	AGRICULTURE	ECONOMICS	LITERATURE	SCULPTURE	
1600-1699	XARCHITECTURE	EDUCATION	MILITARY	SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
X _1700-1799	ART	ENGINEERING	MUSIC	THEATER	
X_ 1800-1899	COMMERCE	EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	PHILOSOPHY	TRANSPORTATION	
1900-	COMMUNICATIONS	INDUSTRY INVENTION	POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	OTHER (SPECIFY)	
SPECIFIC DATES C. 1748-1756, 1891 BUILDER/ARCHITECT					

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

All Hallow's Episcopal Church is located on the southeast corner of Church and Market Streets in Snow Hill, Maryland. In 1692 when Snow Hill Parish was organized, it was one of four in Somerset County. The parish extended north from the Maryland-Virginia line and west from the ocean to Stepney, Somerset and Coventry Parishes. By 1696, it had considerable strength with an assembly of 358 taxable persons. Initially a church was built in 1734 near the bank of the Pocomoke River at the foot of what is now Bank Street. When Somerset County was divised in 1742, Snow Hill became the county seat of Worcester County, and the parish became known as All Hallows as early as 1710.

Early church records were destroyed in an 1834 fire that destroyed the courthouse and much of Snow Hill. According to a late nineteenth century local paper, the ground for the church was given to the parish by Mrs. Randall who lived on Federal Street. However, there was an Act of the Colonial Assembly (June, 1748) for a levy on taxable inhabitants of 80,000 lbs. of tobacco for the purpose of builidng a brick parish church. The building was to be located on land for public use on a hill opposite the town market lot on the west side of Church Street. By 1756, the church was not finished. In order to complete the work, an Act for an additional 45,000 lbs. was levied, that amount to be paid in five equal annual installments of \$1.33 per 100 lbs. of tobacco. The building was finished by Reverend John Rosse who was rector from 1754 to 1775.

All Hallows is a good example of eighteenth century, vernacular church architecture. Even though additions and alterations have been made, the building retains its original form and is a significant part of Snow Hill.

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CITY OR TOWN Snow Hill/Annapolis		,	STATE	21863/21401
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