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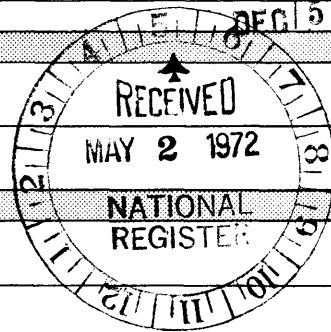
Form 10-300
(July 1969)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	Florida
COUNTY:	Brevard
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ENTRY NUMBER	DATE
	DEC 5 1972



1. NAME

COMMON: St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: 414 Palm Avenue

CITY OR TOWN: Titusville

STATE: Florida CODE: 12 COUNTY: Brevard CODE: 009

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<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	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input checked="" 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: Diocese of Central Florida

STREET AND NUMBER: 324 North Interlachen Avenue

CITY OR TOWN: Winter Park STATE: Florida CODE: 12

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Brevard County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: Titusville STATE: Florida CODE: 12

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY: None

DATE OF SURVEY: Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE: CODE:

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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		

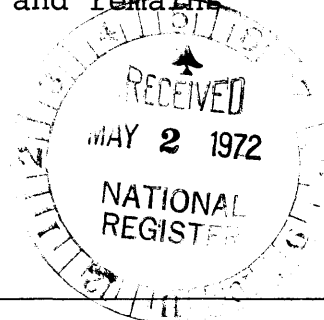
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

"At Titusville a beautiful church has been completed, and funds obtained for the erection of a comfortable rectory." Such was an 1889 description of St. Gabriel's. Originally one of the best proportioned churches on the East Coast dating from this period, the building has been very recently widened. As it presently exists, the church appears small and rather modest. /It is of frame construction and painted white. The plan is a modified cruciform with a central aisle and two short side aisles. /This affords limited seating for the congregation. There is an altar in the apsidal end of the church behind which is the St. Gabriel stained glass window. It was with the donation of this window that the name of the church was changed from St. John's to St. Gabriel's in 1888. (An affidavit to this effect is on file in the Brevard County Courthouse). /The interior of the church is supported by exposed beams giving the effect of a Gothic hall. Light filters in through stained glass windows only. /The floors and pews are of a dark hard wood adding to the overall feeling of darkness inside the church.

/On the exterior, St. Gabriel's seems somewhat skeletal. This feeling is intensified by the use of slender pieces of wood arranged in a tracery pattern and placed below the roof, in the railing and above the windows. All windows employ the pointed arch. The roof is of a steep pitch with four cross gables on each side. There is a large steeple at the southeast corner of the building which houses a bell/given by the ladies of the church and installed in 1892.

The neo-Gothic style of Titusville's "village church" reflects a trend in Episcopal architecture at the time of its construction. Known within the Episcopal Church as Bishop Weed Gothic, the style spread through the efforts of Edwin Gardner Weed, third Bishop of Florida. A number of churches constructed in the 1880's reflected this neo-Gothic trend and the area of influence seems to have been widespread. Christ Church in Monticello was constructed in 1886, the Church of the Good shepherd in Maitland in 1880 and the Episcopal Church at Enterprise was built in 1883. St. Gabriel's, built in 1887, reflects some of the most outstanding characteristics of the style and remains today in an excellent state of repair.

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5. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian 16th Century 18th Century 20th Century
 15th Century 17th Century 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) **1887**

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <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

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In 1887, a large lot consisting of almost an entire block was jointly given to the congregation of St. Gabriel's mission by Mary E. Titus, wife of the city's founder and J. Dunlin Perkinson, pioneer lay reader for the mission. The land was to be used for the construction of an Episcopal church with the surplus to be used for a cemetery. A graveyard was to surround the church in much the same manner as the country parishes of England and Virginia. Due to the hostility of the town council to the idea of a graveyard within the city limits, the plan was never carried out.

In 1887, construction began on the church and in 1892, the bell, which is the largest in Brevard County, was installed. The church contains one of the finest collections of Victorian stained glass in the Indian River country.

Perhaps the single most significant statement which can be made about St. Gabriel's is that it reflects a style or architecture which is indigenous to Florida and that this style spread through the efforts and influences of one man, Bishop Edwin Weed.



9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Brevard County Records, Brevard County Courthouse, Titusville, Florida. Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court (Deeds).

Cushman, Joseph. A Goodly Heritage. Gainesville: University of Florida Press, 1965.

Pennington, Edgar L. The Episcopal Church in Florida, 1793-1892. Historical Magazine of the Protestant Episcopal Church; Vol. VII, March 1938.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES									
CORNER	LATITUDE		LONGITUDE		LATITUDE			LONGITUDE				
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
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NE	°	'	"	°	'	"	28	36	28	80	48	39
SE	°	'	"	°	'	"						
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"						

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **LESS THAN ONE ACRE**

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Diane D. Greer, Historic Sites Specialist

ORGANIZATION: Division of Archives, History and Records Mgt. DATE: 8/10/71

STREET AND NUMBER:
Department of State - The Capitol

CITY OR TOWN: Tallahassee STATE: Florida CODE: 12

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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: [Signature]

Title: State Liaison Officer

Date: April 17, 1972

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

[Signature]
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date: 12/5/72

ATTEST:
[Signature]
Keeper of The National Register

Date: 12-4-72

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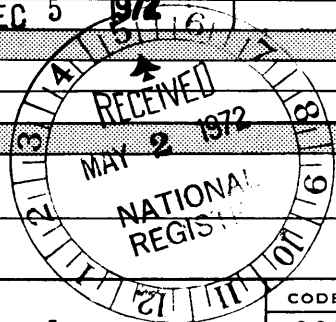
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PROPERTY MAP FORM

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Florida	12	Brevard	009
3. MAP REFERENCE			
SOURCE:			
USGS Titusville Quadrangle, Brevard County			
SCALE: 1:24,000 ; 7.5 minute			
DATE: 1949			
4. REQUIREMENTS			
TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS			
1. Property boundaries where required.			
2. North arrow.			
3. Latitude and longitude reference.			



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COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

