

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

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SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS  
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC First Presbyterian Church

\* AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Corner of Second and Hempstead

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Nashville

VICINITY OF

Fourth

STATE

CODE

COUNTY

CODE

Arkansas

05

Howard

061

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

OWNERSHIP

STATUS

PRESENT USE

DISTRICT

PUBLIC

OCCUPIED

AGRICULTURE

MUSEUM

BUILDING(S)

PRIVATE

UNOCCUPIED

COMMERCIAL

PARK

STRUCTURE

BOTH

WORK IN PROGRESS

EDUCATIONAL

PRIVATE RESIDENCE

SITE

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

ACCESSIBLE

ENTERTAINMENT

RELIGIOUS

OBJECT

IN PROCESS

YES: RESTRICTED

GOVERNMENT

SCIENTIFIC

BEING CONSIDERED

YES: UNRESTRICTED

INDUSTRIAL

TRANSPORTATION

NO

MILITARY

OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Howard County Heritage Club

STREET & NUMBER

218 West Howard Street

CITY, TOWN

Nashville

VICINITY OF

STATE

Arkansas

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Circuit Clerk's Office

STREET & NUMBER

Howard County Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Nashville

STATE

Arkansas

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

# 7 DESCRIPTION

## CONDITION

☒ EXCELLENT  
☐ GOOD  
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED  
☐ RUINS  
☐ UNEXPOSED

## CHECK ONE

☒ UNALTERED  
☐ ALTERED

## CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE  
☐ MOVED DATE \_\_\_\_\_

## DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Built in 1912, the wood-frame, flush-board First Presbyterian Church building is a one-storey structure arranged in what is basically an ell-shape. The ell form of the building is slightly transfigured by a three-storey bell-tower attached to the southeast corner of the church and by a low, small, rectangular addition, extending from the rear of the structure (north elevation). Only one other structure, a five-room manse, shares the terraced lot occupied by the church building. The style of architecture is actually a combination of two styles, High Victorian Gothic and Stick Style. This combination makes the First Presbyterian Church an architectural rarity in southwest Arkansas.

The most impressive feature of the structure is the square, three-storey, bell-tower positioned in the front of the church (south elevation) and enhanced with Gothic detail. Its castelleted roof-line looms over a decorative cornice, which in turn surmounts low-relief machicolation. Below the upper portions of the tower stretches a band of tall, centre-pointed, segmental windows. The Gothic nature of the windows is weakened by the presence of glass hood louvers, which occupy the largest portion of each aperture. However, the small sections of the windows lying above the transom are cut out in a Gothic, trefoil pattern.

The main entranceway dominates the lowest level of the tower. A small, high-gabled porch covers the entranceway. The exposed rafters and the solid, heavy woodwork found in the gable end of the porch-roof are characteristic of both Gothic and Stick Style architecture. Two small, chamfered posts supporting the porch roof are implanted on solid concrete, step-shaped railing, which lines the exterior entrance-stairway. The simple double-leaf doorway is surrounded by a plain architrave.

High-pitched gable roofs with overhanging eaves cover the main sections of the church. As in the porch roof, heavy, decorative woodwork, resembling framing, embellishes the gable ends of the main roof. A feature found here, but not on the porch, is the use of large, solid, single and paired brackets for decoration and support.

The south and east elevations each possess large, Gothic-tracery windows. The tracery found in each window is a wide and heavy type, common to the later phases of Gothic Revival. The window found on the south elevation of the First Presbyterian Church building is a centre-pointed arch window, divided by flamboyant, intersected tracery. The window placed on the building's east elevation is a segmental-arch window with lancet-arch tracery.

Most of the remaining church windows are set within tall, rectangular casements and feature lancet-arch tracery.

The interior of the First Presbyterian Church building is divided into an atrium (in the tower), a nave and classrooms. The original hardwood pews and pulpit remain in excellent condition. The wooden ceiling is supported

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by an evenly spaced series of heavy, carved brackets. The amount of exposed framing found in the ceiling is a common feature of Stick Style.

No major alterations are known to have been performed on either the exterior or the interior of the structure.



## 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 checked="" 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 checked="" 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

1912

## BUILDER/ARCHITECT

E. A. Williams

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The area of significance for the First Presbyterian Church building of Nashville, Arkansas, is architectural. It is perhaps the only structure in southwest Arkansas that artistically combines High Victorian Gothic and Stick Style architecture. Perhaps an even more unusual facet of the structure is its late date of construction (1912), because both High Victorian Gothic and Stick Style architecture are said to have been most popular somewhere between 1860 and 1890. Though the building is no longer used as a church, its architectural importance has prompted the Howard County Heritage Club to acquire the structure and to plan for its continued preservation.

The First Presbyterian Church building of Nashville is a wood-frame, flush-board structure arranged in what is basically an ell shape. The ell form of the building is slightly transformed by a three-storey bell-tower, attached to the southeast corner of the church, and by a low, small, rectangular addition, extending from the rear of the structure (north elevation). Only one other structure, a five-room manse, shares the terraced lot occupied by the church building.

The most impressive part of the structure is the square, three-storey bell-tower, positioned in the front of the church (south elevation). A number of Gothic details are found on the tower. Among these are the castellated roof-line, the machicolation located beneath a decorative cornice, and the pointed-arch windows which form a band around the upper sections of the tower. Trefoil designs may be found above the transoms of the windows. A stick-style porch covers the entranceway located at the base of the tower. The high, gable porch roof features both exposed rafters and solid, heavy, woodwork, masking the gable-end (a feature also characteristic of High Victorian Gothic).

High-pitched, gable roofs with overhanging eaves cover the main sections of the building. As in the porch roof, heavy, decorative woodwork, resembling exposed framing, embellishes the gable-ends of the main roofs. A distinctive touch is the use of large, solid, Stick Style brackets for decoration and for support.

The south and east elevations each possess large, Gothic tracery windows. The tracery found in each window is a wide and heavy type, common to the later phases of Gothic Revival. The window found on the south elevation of



Whiffen, Marcus. American Architecture Since 1780. Cambridge, Massachusetts:  
The M.I.T. Press, 1969.

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| B |      |         |          |
|   | ZONE | EASTING | NORTHING |
| D |      |         |          |

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CODE

CODE

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

12-9-75

TELEPHONE

501-371-1639

STATE

Arkansas

# ACTION

THIS IS: a 2001 Dodge

LOCAL ✓

DATE

Anne Bartley

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

12-9-75

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

5/4/76

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

CHIEF, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION  
OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

5.3.76

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the First Presbyterian Church building is a centre-pointed arch window, divided by flamboyant, intersected tracery. The window placed on the building's east elevation is formed in the shape of a segmental arch, with lancet-arch tracery separating the panes. Most of the remaining church windows are set within tall, rectangular casements and feature lancet-arch tracery.

The interior of the First Presbyterian Church building is divided into an atrium (located in the tower), a nave and classrooms. The original hardwood pews and pulpit remain in excellent condition. The beamed, wooden ceiling is supported, in true Stick Style tradition, by heavy, carved brackets.

No major alterations are known to have been performed on either the exterior or the interior of the church.

The name of the Reverend M.M. Lawson is synonymous with the history of the church. As the first minister in the building, he settled a controversy which involved the final form which the architecture would assume. His congregation was opposed to the use of beams and brackets on the interior ceiling. The absence of these components would have been out of keeping with the overall style of the structure. However, the Reverend Lawson, who favored the inclusion of the beams and brackets, must have been an influential person, for today the brackets and beams bear mute witness to the triumph of his wishes.

Despite its relatively recent date of construction (1912), the First Presbyterian Church building of Nashville, Arkansas, combines two styles which flourished in the late nineteenth century, High Victorian Gothic and Stick Style. The combination of these styles was not unprecedented. In fact, Richard Upjohn, the famous New York architect, built a group of wooden, country churches in the 1870's which combine features of these two styles. However, their combination in the First Presbyterian Church building of Nashville, Arkansas, is perhaps the only such occurrence in southwest Arkansas.

Property

First Presbyterian Church

HOWARD CO.

76060418

State

Arkansas

Working Number

12.29.75.2259

## TECHNICAL

Need UTM references

Photos

6

Maps

1

## CONTROL

pl

1.6.75

## HISTORIAN

Accept

E. Smith

1-21-76

## ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

manse is included in nomination - a five room

"very simple" house b/t at same time as church. Accept

Called Mike Shinn 1/28/76

Hydant 1/28/76

## ARCHEOLOGIST

## OTHER

## HAER

Inventory \_\_\_\_\_

Review \_\_\_\_\_

## REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

Accept

Cole

4/28/76

## BRANCH CHIEF

## KEEPER

Hunt

5.3.26

National Register Write-up \_\_\_\_\_

Send-back \_\_\_\_\_

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Federal Register Entry

6-1-76

Re-submit \_\_\_\_\_

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STATE Arkansas

**3 PHOTO REFERENCE**

PHOTO CREDIT Claudia Morrow

DATE OF PHOTO 1975

NEGATIVE FILED AT Arkansas Historic Preservation Program

**4 IDENTIFICATION**

DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC. IF DISTRICT, GIVE BUILDING NAME & STREET

South elevation viewed from southeast

PHOTO NO.

146

First Presbyterian Church  
Howard County  
South elevation viewed from the southeast

ENTER

in Church

viewed from south

east.

1976







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East elevation viewed from the southeast

PHOTO NO.

2 46

from southeast

2046







Presbyterian Church  
Howard County  
West elevation viewed from the southwest

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West elevation viewed from the southwest

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346

Presbyterian Church

4, Ark

LOC.

West elevation  
Viewed from south  
west

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Presbyterian church  
Howard County  
South section of interior

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Nashville

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STATE Arkansas

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DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC. IF DISTRICT. GIVE BUILDING NAME & STREET  
South section of interior

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REGISTER

Church

South section of  
interior

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Presbyterian Church  
Nashville, Howard County  
Northwest Arkansas

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DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC. IF DISTRICT, GIVE BUILDING NAME & STREET  
north section of interior

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Loc. North section of  
interior

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Presbyterian Church  
Nashville, Tenn.  
Interior, 1st

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interior, typical bracket supporting the ceiling

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Loc. interior, typical bracket  
supporting the ceiling

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**3 MAP REFERENCE**

SOURCE United States Geological Survey Map, Nashville Quadrangle

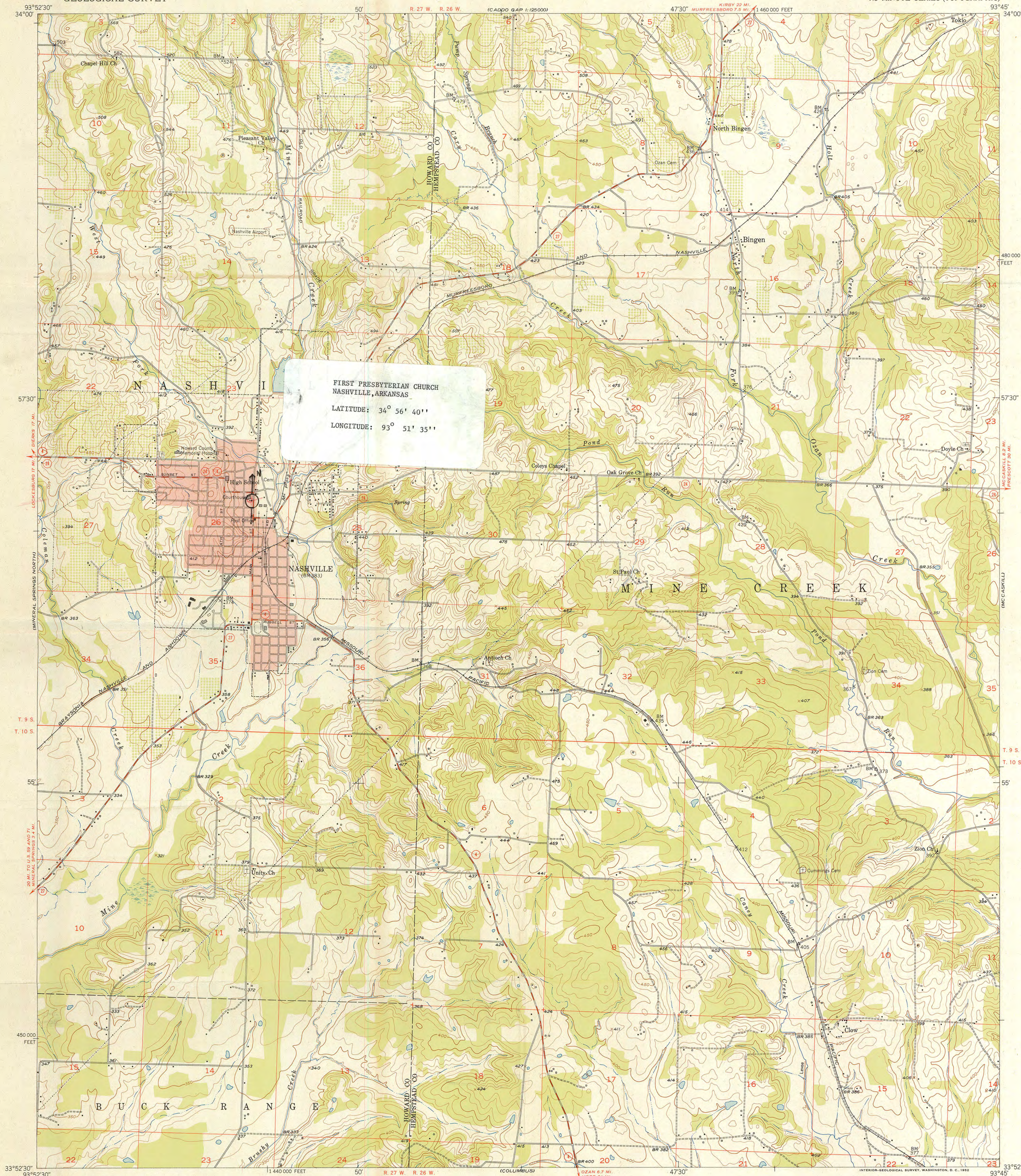
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**4 REQUIREMENTS**

TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS

1. PROPERTY BOUNDARIES
2. NORTH ARROW
3. UTM REFERENCES





FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
NASHVILLE, ARKANSAS

LATITUDE: 34° 56' 40"

LONGITUDE: 93° 51' 35"

Mapped, edited, and published by the Geological Survey

Control by USGS and USC&GS

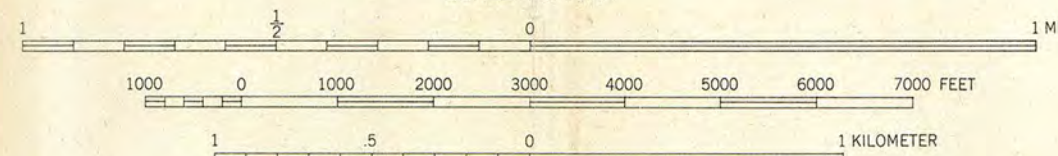
Culture and drainage in part compiled from aerial photographs  
taken 1947. Topography by plane-table methods 1951

Polycyclic projection. 1927 North American datum  
10,000-foot grid based on Arkansas coordinate system  
south zone

Red tint indicates area in which only  
landmark buildings are shown

APPROXIMATE MEAN  
MAGNETIC NORTH  
DECLINATION, 1951

SCALE 1:24000



CONTOUR INTERVAL 10 FEET  
DATUM IS MEAN SEA LEVEL

THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS  
FOR SALE BY U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, FEDERAL CENTER, DENVER, COLORADO OR WASHINGTON 25, D. C.  
AND BY THE ARKANSAS RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS  
A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Heavy-duty 4 LANE 16 LANE Light-duty  
Medium-duty 4 LANE 16 LANE Unimproved dirt  
U. S. Route State Route

NASHVILLE, ARK.  
N3352.5-W9345/7.5

1951





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STATE    ARKANSAS

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|---------------------------|--|
| St. Joseph's Home         | North Little Rock<br>Pulaski County    |
| Palmar House              | Blackton Vicinity<br>Monroe County     |
| McRae, K.G., House        | Hope<br>Hempstead County               |
| First Presbyterian Church | Nashville<br>Howard County             |
| Dunn House                | Hampton Vicinity<br>Calhoun County     |
| Elizabeth Hall            | New Blaine<br>Logan County             |
| Russey House              | Center Point Vicinity<br>Howard County |

Also Notified

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Hon. Wilbur D. Mills  
Hon. Bill Alexander  
Hon. Ray Thornton  
Hon. John P. Hammerschmidt

Regional Director, Southwest Region

✓ PR:M Mott:coc    5/10/76

State Historic Preservation Officer  
Ms. Anne Bartley  
Acting Director  
Department of Natural and Culture  
Heritage  
The Old State House  
300 West Markham  
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

# NATIONAL REGISTER DATA SHEET

1 NAME as it appears on federal register: **First Presbyterian Church** 2 OTHER NAMES: 3 date of entry: **5.4.76** 4 county code: **061**

5 LOCATION street & number **2nd and Hempstead Sts.** city / town **Nashville** vicinity of state **Ark** county **Howard** 6 NPS REGION: **SW**

7 OWNER ☒ PRIVATE ☐ STATE ☐ MUNICIPAL ☐ COUNTY ☐ MULTIPLE ☐ FEDERAL (agency name) 8 ADMINISTRATOR:

9 EXISTING SURVEYS ☐ HABS ☐ HAER ☐ NHL 10 FUNDED? ☐ YES ☒ NO 11 CONGRESS. DISTRICT 12 SOURCE of NOMINATION ☒ STATE ☐ FEDERAL (if state who prepared form?)

13 WITHIN NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT? ☐ YES, NAME ☒ NO 14 WITHIN NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK? ☐ YES, NAME ☒ NO 15 AGREED **41** 16 LOCAL ☐ PRIVATE ORGANIZATION ☐

16 CONDITION ☒ excellent ☐ deteriorated ☐ ruins ☐ good ☐ unexposed ☐ fair ☐ unexcavated ☐ altered ☐ unaltered ☐ reconstructed ☐ excavated ☒ original site ☐ moved ☐ unknown 17 features: ☒ SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-1 ☐ NOT INTACT-0 ☐ UNKNOWN-4 ☐ NOT APPLICABLE-7 ☒ SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-2 ☐ NOT INTACT-0 ☐ UNKNOWN-5 ☐ NOT APPLICABLE-8 ☒ SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-3 ☐ NOT INTACT-0 ☐ UNKNOWN-6 ☐ NOT APPLICABLE-9

18 ACCESS ☒ YES-Restricted ☐ YES-Unrestricted ☐ No Access ☐ Unknown 19 ADAPTIVE USE ☐ YES ☒ NO 20 SAVED? ☒ YES ☐ NO IS PROPERTY A HISTORIC DISTRICT? ☐ yes ☒ no

21 AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE: ☐ ARCHEOLOGY-prehistoric-2 ☐ COMMERCE-6 ☐ ENGINEERING-11 ☐ LANDSCAPE ARCH.-15 ☐ POLITICS/GOVT.-21 ☐ RECREATION-28 ☐ ARCHEOLOGY-historic-1 ☐ COMMUNICATIONS-7 ☐ ENTERTAINMENT-26 ☐ LAW-16 ☐ RELIGION-22 ☐ SETTLEMENT-29 ☒ AGRICULTURE-3 ☐ CONSERVATION-8 ☐ EXPLORATION-12 ☐ LITERATURE-17 ☐ SCIENCE-23 ☐ URBAN PLANNING-31 ☒ ARCHITECTURE-4 ☐ ECONOMICS-9 ☐ HEALTH-27 ☐ MILITARY-18 ☐ SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN-24 ☐ OTHER (SPECIFY) ☐ ART-5 ☐ EDUCATION-10 ☐ INDUSTRY-13 ☐ MUSIC-19 ☐ SOCIAL/CULTURAL-30 ☐ TRANSPORTATION-25 22 CLAIMS: explain 'first' ☐ 'oldest' ☐ 'only' ☐

23 functions WHEN HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT: **CHURCH** CURRENTLY: **COUNTY HERITAGE CLUB** 24 dates of initial construction: **1912** major alterations: historic events: 25 ETHNIC GROUP ASSOCIATION

26 architectural style(s): **LATE GOTHIC REVIVAL & STICK STYLE** 27 architect: 28 master builder: 29 engineer:

30 landscape architect / garden designer: 31 interior decorator: 32 artist: 33 artisan: 34 builder/contractor:

35 NAMES give role & date PERSONAL: EVENTS: INSTITUTIONAL:

36 NATIONAL REGISTER WRITE-UP **Frame, clapboarding; 1-story, modified L-shape, intersecting gabled roof sections with wide eaves and some stickwork; 3-story front corner bell tower with crenelated parapet, stylized denticulated cornice, paired louvered pointed-arch windows, and paneled double-door entrance with gabled hood; large south and east gable end <sup>arched</sup> tracery windows, rectangular side windows with paired lancet tracery; original pews, pulpit and hammerbeam ceiling. Rare example of ~~Late Gothic~~ combined Late Gothic Revival and Stick Style architecture in SW Arkansas.**