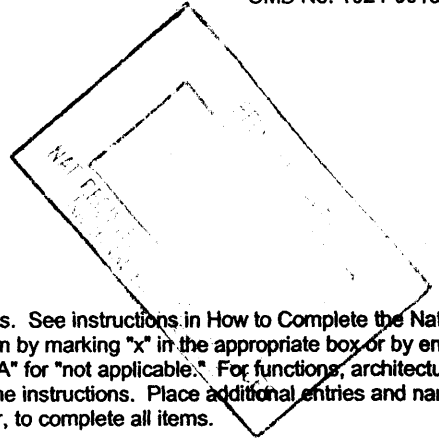


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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM**

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "X" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.



1. Name of Property

historic name Walla Lutheran Church
other names/site number N/A

2. Location

street & number 46532 105th Street not for publication N/A
city or town New Effington vicinity X
state South Dakota code SD county Roberts code 109 zip code 57255

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this X nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property X meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide X locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Jay D. Vogt 03-23-2004
Signature of certifying official Date

South Dakota State Historic Preservation Officer
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting or other official Date

4. National Park Service Certification

- I hereby certify that the property is:
- entered in the National Register.
 - See continuation sheet
 - determined eligible for the National Register.
 - See continuation sheet
 - determined not eligible for the National Register
 - removed from the National Register.
 - other, (explain:)

Signature of the Keeper: Edson H Beall Date of Action: 5/19/04

5. Classification

Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing	
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	buildings
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	sites
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	structures
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	objects
<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0
 Name of related multiple property listing (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.) N/A

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: Religion	Sub: Religious Facility
Funerary	Cemetery
Secondary Structure	Storage Shed
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: Religion	Sub: Religious Facility
Funerary	Cemetery
Secondary Structure	Storage Shed
_____	_____
_____	_____

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Late 19th and 20th Century Revivals: _____
Late Gothic Revival _____

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation Concrete _____
roof Asphalt Shingle _____
walls Wood _____

other _____

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

See Continuation Sheets

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A** Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B** Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C** Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D** Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

- A** owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B** removed from its original location.
- C** a birthplace or a grave.
- D** a cemetery.
- E** a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F** a commemorative property
- G** less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Period of Significance

1902

Significant Dates 1902

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)
N/A

Cultural Affiliation N/A

Architect/Builder unknown

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

See Continuation Sheets

9. Major Bibliographical References

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS)

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey #
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record #

Primary Location of Additional Data

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Name of repository: n/a

10. Geographical Data

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UTM References

(place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

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See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.) See Continuation Sheet

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.) See Continuation Sheet

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Lynda B. Schwan
organization SD SHPO date January 5, 2004
street & number 900 Governors Dr telephone 605-773-6056
city or town Pierre state SD zip code 57501

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional items (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Walla Lutheran Church
Name of Property

Roberts County, South Dakota
County and State

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name Walla Cemetery Corporation
street & number 46532 105th Street telephone 605-637-5426
city or town New Effington state SD zip code 57255

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Walla Lutheran Church, constructed in 1902, is located in rural Roberts County near the community of New Effington. The property includes the church, associated cemetery and a storage shed.

The façade faces south onto 105th Street. The Gothic Revival church is constructed of wood with a concrete foundation. The church consists of a steep gable roof covered in asphalt shingles, a projecting steeple section and a small room on the rear elevation. Common elements on the church include gothic arch windows with tracery and wood clapboard siding.

The façade (south elevation) has a projecting steeple with a central double door entry, which is topped by a stained glass arched window with wood tracery. Concrete steps with concrete wing walls lead up to the entry. The second floor of the steeple has a pair of gothic arch windows set inside a larger gothic arch. Above the second floor window is a hipped roof capped by a square room. Each elevation of the square room has a square vent in a large gothic arch. The gable ends of each elevation have gingerbread details. The steeple is capped by an eight sided conical roof with a weathervane at the peak. East of the steeple section, is a one story hipped roof room. It has an entry door leading to the basement and main floor. The steeply pitched gable roof has gable returns on the façade.

The east elevation has five one-over-one windows at the basement level. The main floor of the church has three gothic arch windows with tracery. The east elevation of the small room at the northeast corner has one gothic arch window with tracery.

The rear (north elevation) has a small room at both the northeast and northwest corners. The north elevations each have an entry door that is accessed by a flight of stairs. Between each of the rooms is a five sided room, which on the interior, houses the altar. There are two gothic arched windows with tracery in this portion. This room is capped with a conical roof. A curved chimney extends above the roof on this elevation. The steeply pitched gable roof has gable returns on the north elevation.

The west elevation has four one-over-one windows at the basement level. The main floor of the church has three gothic arch windows with tracery. The west elevation of the small room at the northwest corner has one gothic arch window with tracery.

Interior:

The sanctuary has many ornate details. The barrel vaulted ceiling is covered with a pressed metal in an elaborate pattern. The altar has a U-shaped communion rail. The altar is constructed in three

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sections that are triangular at the top with decorative finials. The center panel has a mural. The side panels also have a gothic arch and are separated from the center panel with narrow columns. To the left of the altar is a matching pulpit. The basement also has a pressed metal ceiling.

Cemetery:

The cemetery is located on the west and east sides of the church. It has been in continuous use since approximately 1895. There are approximately 320 interments.

Shed:

The shed roof wood clapboard building was constructed in circa 1900. It has a door at the southwest corner. There are no other openings.

Significance

The Walla Lutheran Church is significant under Criterion C as a well preserved example of a Gothic Revival style and represents the second generation church construction in the eastern portion of the State of South Dakota.

Roberts County is located in the northeast corner of South Dakota. It is bordered on the east by Lake Traverse and Big Stone Lake. During the summer of 1883, Roberts County was officially organized.

The church body was first organized in 1894 as the Swedish Walla Evangelical Luther Church. Church services were held in a small facility until February 1902 when a vote was taken to construct a new church. By October 1902, all but the interior work was completed. Also located on the property historically was a privy to the north of the church.

The Walla Lutheran Church is significant under Criterion C as it typifies the "second generation" of church construction in the eastern portion of South Dakota. Structures that are constructed as a second generation church are those building from 1915 forward. While this building is outside the second generation time frame, it is still a second generation church as it was the second facility constructed for this congregation. Second generation churches typically exhibit an increased focus on stylistic interpretation of religion and a commitment to creating an impressive house of worship. These buildings are larger in size, scale and massing than their earlier counterparts and are more identifiable as being influenced by the Gothic Revival, Romanesque Revival or Classical Revival styles of ecclesiastical architecture.

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Identifying characteristics of the Gothic Revival style include gothic arch windows and openings, steeply pitched roofs, and decorative spires and towers that emphasize vertical lines. The Walla Lutheran Church exhibits each of these common characteristics.

The Walla Lutheran Church is eligible under Criterion C as an excellent example of a second generation Gothic Revival building.

Bibliography

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Verbal Boundary Description

SE ¼, SW ¼, Section 14, Lien Township, Roberts County, South Dakota.

Boundary Justification

All the land that has historically been associated with the church.

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