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DATA SHEET

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

1 NAME

HISTORIC Emmanuel Episcopal Church

AND/OR COMMON
Same

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
717 Quincy Street   __NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN   CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
Rapid City   __ VICINITY OF   No. 2

STATE   CODE   COUNTY   CODE
South Dakota   046   Pennington   103

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
__DISTRICT	__PUBLIC	X_OCCUPIED	__AGRICULTURE	__MUSEUM
X_BUILDING(S)	X_PRIVATE	__UNOCCUPIED	__COMMERCIAL	__PARK
__STRUCTURE	__BOTH	__WORK IN PROGRESS	__EDUCATIONAL	__PRIVATE RESIDENCE
__SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	__ENTERTAINMENT	X_RELIGIOUS
__OBJECT	__IN PROCESS	X_YES: RESTRICTED	__GOVERNMENT	__SCIENTIFIC
	__BEING CONSIDERED	__ YES: UNRESTRICTED	__INDUSTRIAL	__TRANSPORTATION
		__NO	__MILITARY	__OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME   Emmanuel Parish

STREET & NUMBER
717 Quincy Street

CITY, TOWN   STATE
Rapid City   __ VICINITY OF   South Dakota

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Pennington County Courthouse--City Assessor

STREET & NUMBER
St. Joseph Street

CITY, TOWN   STATE
Rapid City   South Dakota

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE
South Dakota Historic Sites Survey

DATE
March 1974   __FEDERAL X_STATE __COUNTY __LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS Historical Preservation Center, USD Alumni House

CITY, TOWN   STATE
Vermillion   South Dakota

⑦ DESCRIPTION

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Emmanuel Episcopal Church is a one story, cross gabled High Victorian Gothic structure erected in 1888. Externally the building has changed slightly with the removal of ornamental cresting from the roof line and addition of a portico at the entrance which was done compatibly with the building. At one time, the church yard was surrounded by a wrought iron fence which was taken down in the 1960s. Internally, the church was renovated in 1934 and altered in the 1940s.

The structure has many consistent architectural features. Polychrome sandstone of the sundance formation covers most of the exterior walls and is used for the foundation. All the openings employ the lancet arch with darker colored stone used in the voussoirs and lugsills. Extending from the impost of these arches and lugsills are bands of stringcourse. Recessed stained glass windows of the geometric design type are utilized throughout.

The north or front facade features three lancet windows with the center opening slightly taller and wider. At gables end diagonal and fishscale designed shingles are used along with stick work that suggests a Celtic cross. Offset to the left is the portico which utilizes pilasters, drip molds, and a lancet opening. The main entrance is encased in a small rectangular tower with a pyramidical termination and a Latin cross finial. An oak door leads into this tower and a stained glass window is directly above.

The east and west sides also display lancet windows; however, they vary in size. Perforated vertical board and a half circle stick work design adorns the gables end. From these sides, the steep pitch of the gable roof is apparent.

Although the original structure has not been altered much, an educational wing was added in 1955. This addition was done in sympathy to the church's roof and flat openings are used rather than lancet. Yet, by using the same materials and by setting the addition back from the church, any negative impact is subdued.

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	X_ARCHITECTURE	__EDUCATION	__MILITARY	__SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
__1700-1799	__ART	__ENGINEERING	__MUSIC	__THEATER
X_1800-1899	__COMMERCE	__EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	__PHILOSOPHY	__TRANSPORTATION
X_1900-	__COMMUNICATIONS	__INDUSTRY	__POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	__OTHER (SPECIFY)
		__INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES   1888   BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Emmanuel Church has been the center of worship for Episcopalians of Rapid City for over eighty-six years. The church was organized as a regular mission in 1887, and the corner stone was laid on November 30. Construction was completed in 1888 and with the election of the vestry in 1891, it became a parish.

A highlight of the church's history was President Franklin D. Roosevelt's attendance at services on August 30, 1936. Roosevelt was in Rapid City to dedicate the Jefferson sculpture at nearby Mount Rushmore.

Although ministers and parishioners have come and gone, the structure has retained its architectural quality. This High Victorian Gothic church has undergone only a few minor alterations. An educational wing was added in 1955; but it was done sympathetically by using the same cut stone facing, by employing similar design characteristics, and by setting the addition back from the original structure. With the retention of architectural integrity, the membership of Emmanuel Episcopal Church has shown respect for its origins and history.

⑨ MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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⑩ GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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UTM REFERENCES

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  ZONE EASTING   NORTHING   ZONE EASTING   NORTHING

C |__| |__,__,__,__| |__,__,__,__| D |__| |__,__,__,__| |__,__,__,__|

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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⑪ FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE   Scott Gerloff, Contractor

ORGANIZATION	DATE
Historical Preservation Center	December, 1974

STREET & NUMBER	TELEPHONE
USD Alumni House	605-677-5314

CITY OR TOWN	STATE
Vermillion	South Dakota

⑫ STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL ___   STATE ___   LOCAL _X_

As the designated State Historic Preservation 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.

FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE   3-31-75

TITLE Cultural Preservation Director /SHPO   DATE

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EMMANUEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH, Rapid City, South Dakota, Pennington County.
                                    (Code 046)   (Code 103)

The High Victorian Gothic Style of this church is the only remaining example of this type of architecture in the city. Only two buildings are left with entirely rock-faced facades; Emmanuel Episcopal is one of them. If the destruction of the church occurred, the city would lose part of its architectural history, one of its last examples of the art of stone cutting, and examples of indigenous stone material. Therefore, the preservation of this church is important to understanding part of what late nineteenth century Rapid City was like.