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NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

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

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Methodist Episcopal Church

AND/OR COMMON

Heritage Museum Chapel

LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

811 6th Street

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Scotland

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

No. 2

STATE

South Dakota

VICINITY OF

CODE

046

COUNTY

Bon Homme

CODE

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CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- PUBLIC ACQUISITION**
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE**
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

PRESENT USE

- AGRICULTURE
- COMMERCIAL
- EDUCATIONAL
- ENTERTAINMENT
- GOVERNMENT
- INDUSTRIAL
- MILITARY
- MUSEUM
- PARK
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- RELIGIOUS
- SCIENTIFIC
- TRANSPORTATION
- OTHER:

OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

United Methodist Church

STREET & NUMBER

Scotland

South Dakota

CITY, TOWN

STATE

VICINITY OF

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Bon Homme County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

Tyndall

South Dakota

CITY, TOWN

STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

United Methodist Historic Site 52 (National) & S.D. Historic Sites Survey

DATE

1977

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

United Methodist National Archives and History

CITY, TOWN

P.O. Box 488, Lake Junaluska, North Carolina 28745

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Methodist Episcopal Church is situated near Dawson Creek, fronting the Firested Trail used by stage coaches on runs from Sioux City to Pierre. It is located running northeast to southeast to face the old trail.

The building is a one-and-one-half-story structure constructed of native chalkstone, laid in uncoursed nubble stone bond. Rectangular in shape, it measures 24 feet wide by 36 feet long. The northwest and southeast facades contain three bays; the windows are 4/4 (four over four lights) topped by heavy timber cornices which were needed to support the weight of the stone work.

The building has a simple gabled roof, with a window in each gable, and a central chimney. There is also a three-bay posted end porch on the front of the structure.

The building has not been altered outside structurally, aside from the front double window installed to replace the church door, and the addition of a new door to the left. A half floor was also added when the church was converted to a home. The original structure also included a balcony.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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 checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input 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	1872	BUILDER/ARCHITECT	Ferd Cach
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Methodist Episcopal Church of Scotland is significant on the local level for religious and architectural reasons. The building was the first Methodist Church in Scotland and is the oldest Methodist Church building in the state. It is also a fine example of a building constructed of native chalkstone which was quarried one-half mile from the structure. It is registered with the Methodist Church nationally as their historic site No. 52.

Daniel W. Cook, of the Northwest Iowa conference began regular preaching services here in 1873. It was dedicated by the members of the United Methodist Church on Christmas Day of 1874. The building was used by the congregation until 1884, when the present church building was constructed.

W.T. Grant, an early Scotland pioneer, donated the site of the church. The building was used as a church by many denominations for many years until their facilities were completed. From 1939 to 1963 the structure was the home of the Joseph Schneider family. In 1970 the Schneider family donated the building to the United Methodist Church in memory of their parents.

In 1975 the Scotland Bicentennial Committee received permission from the United Methodist Church to renovate the structure into a museum-chapel for the community of Scotland. The Heritage Museum-Chapel was dedicated on July 4, 1976. It has been renovated in the exterior and interior, and is presently open during the summer to visitors.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Yankton Press and Dakotan, June 29, 1976.
 Mitchell Republic, July 8, 1976
 Scotland Journal, July 8, 1976
 Scotland Journal, July 8, 1976
 Scotland Journal, July 1, 1976

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

UTM NOT VERIFIED

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY less than 1 acre
Scotland, S.D.

QUADRANGLE NAME _____

QUADRANGLE SCALE _____

UTM REFERENCES

A 14 60,56,8,0 4,717,717,8,0

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ZONE

EASTING

NORTHING

ZONE

EASTING

NORTHING

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION The nominated property is located 1000 feet southwest of the Scotland swimming pool and 1200 feet northwest of the gravel pit which is situated 1000 feet west of the northern shore of Lake Henry.

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

Donley Max

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Scotland Historical Society

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Scotland

STATE

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.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

John J. Little

TITLE

SHPO/Historical Preservation Center, Director

DATE

1 July 79

FOR NPS USE ONLY

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

Carol Stahl
 KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

9-12-79

ATTEST:

William H. Bradford
 CLERK OF REGISTRATION

DATE

8-27-79