

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: <b>Wisconsin</b>
COUNTY: <b>Fond du Lac</b>
FOR NPS USE ONLY
ENTRY DATE <b>DEC 31 1974</b>

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

**1. NAME**

COMMON:

AND/OR HISTORIC:  
**St. Peter's Episcopal Church**

**2. LOCATION**

STREET AND NUMBER:  
**217 Houston Street**

CITY OR TOWN:  
**Ripon**

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT:  
**Sixth**

STATE: **Wisconsin**      CODE: **55**      COUNTY: **Fond du Lac**      CODE: **039**

**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	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
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) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Comments _____

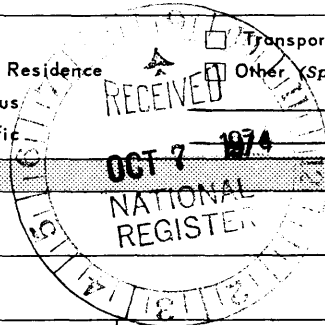
**4. OWNER OF PROPERTY**

OWNER'S NAME:  
**St. Peter's Episcopal Church**

STREET AND NUMBER:  
**217 Houston Street**

CITY OR TOWN:  
**Ripon**

STATE:  
**Wisconsin**      CODE: **55**



**5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:  
**Fond du Lac County Courthouse**

STREET AND NUMBER:  
**190 S. Main Street**

CITY OR TOWN:  
**Fond du Lac**

STATE:  
**Wisconsin**      CODE: **55**

**6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE OF SURVEY:  
**Wisconsin Historical and Architectural Field Survey, 1973**

DATE OF SURVEY: **1973**       Federal     State     County     Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:  
**State Historical Society of Wisconsin**

STREET AND NUMBER:  
**816 State Street**

CITY OR TOWN:  
**Madison**

STATE:  
**Wisconsin**      CODE: **55**

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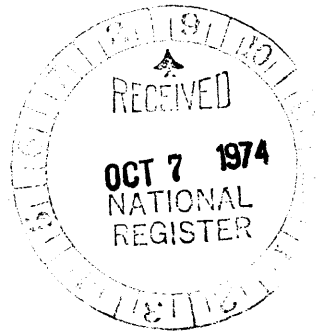
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**7. DESCRIPTION**

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 type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unaltered		<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

St. Peter's Episcopal Church is a small structure in the Carpenter's Gothic mode. Originally called Grace Episcopal Church, it was built in 1860-61 for a newly formed parish at a cost of \$2,800. The builder was A. Lanning of Ripon. The plan of the church is rectangular and its proportions are rather tall. This tallness is emphasized by the vertical board and batten siding, the narrow pointed-arched windows, and the steeply pitched roof which is supported by wooden brackets. The main facade features a gabled entrance porch ornamented with simple open-wood screen. Above the entrance is a round window filled with stained glass which is placed in a truncated wooden tower which originally supported a spire, but is now topped by a cross. Grace parish became St. Peter's parish in February, 1866. Additions to the church's holdings have included a parish school added in 1864 and a rectory built next door (215 Houston Street) in 1866.



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**4. SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- |  |                                       |  |                                       |
|--|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century            | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century  | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century |                                       |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1860-1

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 type="checkbox"/> Religion/Phi-  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic                | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry     | osophy                                  | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture             | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention    | <input type="checkbox"/> Science        | _____                                    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape    | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture      | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature   | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Human-  | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce                | <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | itarian                                 | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications          | <input type="checkbox"/> Military     | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater        | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation            | <input type="checkbox"/> Music        | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____                                    |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

St. Peter's Episcopal Church is a good example of the picturesque Carpenter's Gothic style popularized originally by Downing and Davis in the 1840's and 1850's. It is one of the few Carpenter's Gothic buildings to have survived in Wisconsin, and it is in excellent condition today.



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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

McKenna, Maurice, Fond du Lac County, Wisconsin: Past and Present. Vol. 1, Chicago: Clark Publishing Co., 1912. p. 393.

Anonymous, History of Fond du Lac County, Wisconsin. Chicago: Western Historical Company, 1880. pp. 675-7

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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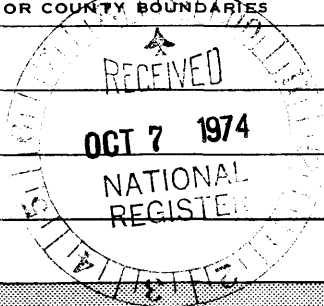
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

less than one

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 AND TITLE:  
Charlene Stant Engel, Preservation Planning Assistant

ORGANIZATION: State Historical Society of Wisconsin DATE: 10 July 1974

STREET AND NUMBER:  
816 State Street

CITY OR TOWN: Madison STATE: Wisconsin CODE: 55

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: James Morton Smith  
James Morton Smith

Title: Director, State Historical Society of Wisconsin

Date: Oct. 1, 1974

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

AR Mortenson  
Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date: DEC 31 1974

ATTEST: George J. Emery  
Keeper of The National Register

Date: DEC 31 1974