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SUPPLEMENTARY LISTING RECORD

NRIS Reference Number: 89000990   Date Listed: 8/3/89

St Paul's Church	Gunnison	CO
Property Name	**County**	**State**

Marble MPS
Multiple Name

This property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places in accordance with the attached nomination documentation subject to the following exceptions, exclusions, or amendments, notwithstanding the National Park Service certification included in the nomination documentation.

_____   _____
Signature of the Keeper   **Date of Action**

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Amended Items in Nomination:

Item #8: Significance:

1886 is not a significant date.

DISTRIBUTION:
    National Register property file
    Nominating Authority (without nomination attachment)

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REGISTRATION FORM

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REGISTER

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility
for individual properties or districts. See instructions in Guidelines for
Completing National Register Forms (National Register Bulletin 16).
Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the
requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being
documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials,
and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in
the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a).
Type all entries. Use letter quality printers in 12 pitch. Use only 25% or
greater cotton content bond paper.

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1. Name of Property

historic name: St. Paul's Church

other names/site number: Marble Community Church, 5GN1355

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2. Location

street & number: 123 State Street   not for publication

city, town: Marble   vicinity

state: Colorado _____   code: CO county: Gunnison   code: 051 zip code: 81623

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3. Classification

Ownership of Property	Category of Property	No. of Resources within Property	
		contributing	noncontributing
X private	X building(s)	1	___ buildings
___ public-local	___ district	___	___ sites
___ public-State	___ site	___	___ structures
___ public-Federal	___ structure	___	___ objects
	___ object	1	0 Total

Name of related multiple property listing:

Historic Resources of Marble, Colorado,
and Vicinity

No. of contributing resources
previously listed in the
National Register ___0_____

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, 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. __See continuation sheet.

Barbara Sudler   _6-15-89_
Signature of certifying official   Date
  State Historic Preservation Officer
State or Federal agency or bureau

In my opinion, the property __ meets __ does not meet the National Register criteria. __ See continuation sheet.

_____   _____
Signature of commenting or other official   Date

_____
State or Federal agency or bureau

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:

_✓_ entered in the National Register
    _✓_ See continuation sheet   _Beth Boland_   _8/3/89_

__ 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 Date

6. Functions or Use

Historic Functions	Current Functions
(enter categories from instructions)	(enter categories from instructions)
RELIGION/religious structure	RELIGION/religious structure

7. Description

Architectural Classification
(enter categories from instructions)

LATE VICTORIAN/Gothic

Materials
(enter categories from instructions)

foundations: CONCRETE
walls: WOOD/weatherboard

roof: METAL
other:

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

St. Paul's Church is typical of the nineteenth century, one-story, Gothic-style churches which can be found in small towns throughout Colorado. St. Paul's Church is included in the "Historic Resources of Marble, Colorado, and Vicinity" multiple property listing under the historic context of "Settlement and Development of the Town of Marble, Colorado, 1881-1917." Because St. Paul's Church was (1) constructed within the 1881-1917 period of significance, and (2) reflects its original design, workmanship, materials, and setting, it meets the registration requirements of the "Churches" property type. Although St. Paul's Church has been moved, it still meets the registration requirements because its significance is derived from its architecture rather than its location.

St. Paul's Church, which now serves the congregation of the Marble Community Church, was constructed in Aspen in 1886. In 1910, it was relocated to the town of Marble, and is now the community's only church. As originally constructed, St. Paul's Church was a rectangular, front-gabled chapel. In preparation for its move from Aspen to Marble, the chapel was dismantled and shipped to Marble on a railroad car. When it was rebuilt on its present location in 1908, the rear two rooms were added, creating a T-shaped floor plan. The belfry was also added after the building's relocation.

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The steeply-pitched, front-gabled portion of the church has clapboard siding. The side-gabled rear addition has board and batten siding. The front-gabled, enclosed, vestibule also has clapboard siding. The church has five, narrow, Gothic-arched, stained-glass windows; two on the western elevation; three on the eastern elevation. St. Paul's Church has simple wooden window and door surrounds, and is painted white with brown trim. Green and white were the colors of the Colorado-Yule Marble Company, which painted the church in 1909.[1]

The front-gabled belfry, which was added in 1911, has shiplap siding and rises up from the top of the vestibule. A simple wooden cross tops the belfry. The church bell, which is rung manually, weighs 500 pounds and was cast in 1911 by the Moncely Bell Company of Troy, New York.[2] The building also has a new corrugated metal roof.

The interior of the building has retained its historic character and integrity. The center aisle is flanked by rows of painted wooden pews, each of which has a trefoil cut-out on the inside end. The interior walls have been painted and papered, and are trimmed with painted wainscot. The building has retained its original wooden flooring.

The altar is in a recessed room located in the side-gabled addition at the northern end of the building. Four steps lead up to the altar, which is rectangular-shaped and of simple design. The two altar rails, as well as the pulpit rail, are made of oak. The church's pump organ is believed to be original to the church, and is estimated to be at least one hundred years old.[3] Two doorways are located on either side of the church sanctuary, each leading to a room in the side-gabled addition. The room on the western elevation serves as a Sunday School; the room on the eastern elevation is a reception area. The church once had a marble baptismal font, which was removed by the Episcopal Diocese when the building became a community church.

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[1]Oscar McCollum, "History of the Marble Churches," Marble Historical Society, 1986, 3.

[2]Ibid.

[3]Doris Brumbaugh, pastor of the Marble Community Church, interview, September, 1988.

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    St. Paul's Church is located on two city lots on the northeastern corner of West Second Street and State Street. The ground in front of the church steps has been decorated with marble chips laid in the shape of a cross. A library/club house was once located behind the building but has been removed. A trailer and trailer shelter are now located in the rear of the property, but are not included within the boundaries of this National Register nomination. Like most of the lots in Marble, the church site is heavily forested. Historic photographs indicate that the town is more heavily forested now than it was at the beginning of the century.

8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties: ___ nationally ___ statewide _X_ locally

Applicable National Register Criteria _X_ A ___ B _X_ C ___ D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) _X_ A _X_ B ___ C ___ D ___ E ___ F ___ G

Areas of Significance
(enter categories from instructions)

ARCHITECTURE

COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Period of Significance	Significant Dates
	1886, 1908
1908-1917	

Cultural Affiliation
N/A

Significant Person
N/A

Architect/Builder
Episcopal Missions of Western Colorado

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

Now known as the Marble Community Church, historic St. Paul's Church is the only church in the town of Marble, Colorado. Because St. Paul's Church is associated with the history and community development of the town of Marble during its peak years of growth, it is eligible to the National Register of Historic Places under criterion A. Because St. Paul's Church is Marble's only example of Gothic architecture and is a significant representation of early religious structures in the mining communities of western Colorado, it is also eligible to the National Register under criterion C. St. Paul's Church was constructed in Aspen, Colorado, in 1886 and moved to Marble in 1908. Religious institutions, as well as buildings which have been moved, are ordinarily not eligible to the National Register of Historic Places. However, because St. Paul's Church derives its significance from its architectural and historical importance, rather than its locational and/or religious associations, it is nominated to the National Register under criteria considerations A and B. St. Paul's Church is included in the "Historic Resources of Marble, Colorado, and Vicinity" multiple property listing under the historic context of "Settlement and Development of the Town of Marble, 1881-1917."

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     St. Paul's Church was established in Marble in 1908, in order to serve the
religious needs of the population boom that had been created during the peak
years of the local marble mining industry, 1905-1917. St. Paul's Church had
originally been constructed in 1886 in Aspen, Colorado, by the Episcopal
Missions of Western Colorado. The Rev. J. Wallace Ohl supervised its
construction. Located on the northeast corner of East Hyman Avenue and Cleveland
Street in Aspen, it was known as St. John's Episcopal Chapel. By 1908, a larger
Episcopal church had been constructed in Aspen and the chapel was no longer
needed. The Episcopal Diocese then made the chapel available for Marble, which
had been without an Episcopal church.[1]

     In November, 1908, William Woods who, together with William Parry, had
founded the town of Marble in 1881, sold two town lots on the northeastern corner
of West Second Street and State Street to the Episcopal Church of Western
Colorado. The cost of the land was $250 and was paid for by the Episcopal
Women's Guild. After the site was secured, the chapel was dismantled in Aspen
and shipped to Marble by railroad. The building was reassembled on its present
site in 1908, at which time the side-gabled rear addition was built. The belfry
was added in 1911.

     After its relocation, the chapel was renamed St. Paul's Church and was used
by several established congregations in Marble. Visiting priests from Glenwood
Springs and Aspen conducted Episcopal services. The first resident Episcopal
minister in Marble was the Rev. Oliver Kingman. Kingman, who arrived in 1912,
organized the Boys' Club of St. Paul's Church, which had a club house behind the
church. The church also claimed to have had one of the largest Sunday Schools
in western Colorado.

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Although the congregation dwindled after the local marble industry began declining in 1917, St. Paul's Church continued to be a center of social activities in the town. In 1941, however, the local marble quarries and mill were shut down, and the church soon closed. In 1960, members of the Marble Community Church, most of whom were summer residents, unsuccessfully attempted to persuade the Episcopal Diocese to allow them the use of the church. By 1974, however, the congregation obtained permission from the Episcopal bishop to move into St. Paul's Church in exchange for maintaining the building. Finally, in 1985, the church was sold to the Marble Community Church, and Doris Brumbaugh now serves as the congregation's pastor.

St. Paul's Church, which has retained a high degree of historic integrity, is typical of the one-story, Gothic-style churches which were built in Colorado's mining communities at the end of the nineteenth century. Constructed in 1886, the main portion of the building has clapboard siding and Gothic-arched, stained glass windows. The church's belfry, and board and batten rear addition were constructed after the building was relocated to Marble in 1908. the interior of the building is notable for its historic church pews, altar, and pump organ. Marble's only example of Gothic architecture, St. Paul's church is an important visual landmark in the community.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Brumbaugh, Doris. Pastor of the Marble Community Church. Interview, October, 1988.

McCollum, Oscar. "History of the Marble Churches." Marble, Colo.: Marble Historical Society, 1986.

Previous documentation on file (NPS):   __ See continuation sheet
___preliminary determination of
   individual listing (36 CFR 67)
   has been requested
___previously listed in the National   Primary location of additional data:
   Register   ___State Historic Preservation Office
___previously determined eligible by   ___Other State agency
   the National Register   ___Federal agency
___designated a National Historic   ___Local government
   Landmark   ___University
___recorded by Historic American   ___Other
   Buildings Survey # _____   Specify Repository:
___recorded by Historic American
   Engineering Record # _____   _____

10. Geographical Data
Acreage of property: less than one acre

UTM References
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Verbal Boundary Description

      St. Paul's Church is located on the southern two-thirds of lots 23 and 24, block 23, Town of Marble, Colorado.
                               __ See continuation sheet

Boundary Justification

      The boundaries of St. Paul's Church were drawn to include the church building and associated land, and to exclude the trailer and trailer shelter located behind the church building.
                               __ See continuation sheet

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Property: St. Paul's Church
                   123 State Street
                   Marble, Colorado 81623

Photographer: Roger Whitacre

Date: October, 1988

Negative Location: Colorado Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation
                   1300 Broadway
                   Denver, Colorado 80203

Photo Number	View
1	St. Paul's Church (exterior) Camera Orientation: northeast
2	St. Paul's Church (interior) Camera Orientation: north
3	Doris Brumbaugh, pastor of the Marble Community Church, playing the pump organ in St. Paul's Church. Camera Orientation: east