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CITY, TOWN

7⁻ DESCRIPTION

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Pioneer Rock Church is a rectangular, two-story building located in a somewhat open field in rural Ceres. Built in 1858-59, the church was originally called "St. Peter's German United Evangelical Lutheran Church." The church is built of cut limestone block which was quarried nearby and brought to the site by ox teams. The mortar to lay the limestone blocks was made of slacked lime and sand. Wood was used in the construction of the steeple (a later addition, dated 1889), the gabled roof (now covered with asphalt shingling), and the doublehung sash windows, which have 6/6 lights with segmental arched tops. The wooden trim is painted white.

The building is 44 feet long and 30 feet wide. The long axis faces north-south; there is a small basement under the north end.

The interior design is typical of the period. The church altar was designed and built by a Mr. Prior of Guttenburg while the benches were made by Caspar, Henry, and Carl Balkhaus. The pulpit and altar exhibit good-quality craftsmanship.

The land around the church is now used as a wayside park. A shelter house and public restroom, built in the 1930's, are nearby, but are not included in this nomination.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PREHISTORIC	ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	COMMUNITY PLANNING	LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	
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1700-1799	ART	ENGINEERING	MUSIC	THEATER
<u>X</u> 1800-1899	COMMERCE	EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	PHILOSOPHY	TRANSPORTATION
1900-	COMMUNICATIONS	INDUSTRY	POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	OTHER (SPECIFY)
		INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES Construction began 10/25/1858UILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This church is an exceptionally well-preserved and attractive example of rather early pioneer church architecture in Iowa. It demonstrates excellent use of local materials in the construction of a simple, clean-lined building.

Paul Stockfeld, a native of Holland, organized and built the church of the St. Peter's German United Evangelical Lutheran congregation in 1858. A well educated man, Stockfeld ministered not only to the spiritual needs of his parishioners, but as a teacher and medical man, succored their intellectual and physical wants as well. He left Ceres for Michigan in 1868, leaving other men to carry on his role as pastor and educator.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

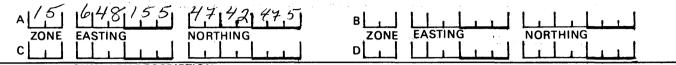
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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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