

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

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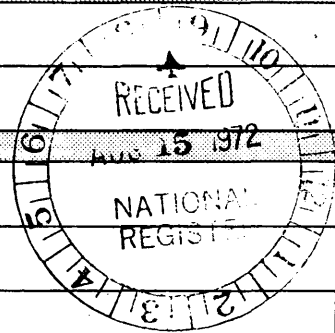
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| STATE: New Jersey | |
| COUNTY: Essex | |
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1. NAME

COMMON:
North Reformed Church

AND/OR HISTORIC:
North Reformed Dutch Church



2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
510 Broad St.

CITY OR TOWN:
Newark

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| STATE New Jersey | CODE 34 | COUNTY: Essex | CODE 013 |
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3. CLASSIFICATION

| CATEGORY (Check One) | OWNERSHIP | STATUS | ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure | <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 | Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 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:
North Reformed Church (North Reformed Dutch Church)

STREET AND NUMBER:
510 Broad Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Newark

STATE:
New Jersey

CODE:
34

STATE: New Jersey
COUNTY: Essex

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Essex County Hall of Records

STREET AND NUMBER:
High Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Newark

STATE:
New Jersey

CODE:
34

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
New Jersey Historic Sites Inventory

DATE OF SURVEY:
 Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Historic Sites Office

STREET AND NUMBER:
Box 1420

CITY OR TOWN:
Trenton

STATE:
New Jersey

CODE:
04

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7. Description

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| 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

Gothic, brownstone "meetinghouse" church, in Upjohn style from adaptation of a specific Upjohn plan by Architect William H. Kirk, of Newark. With elaborate 156' center tower-spire with 4 flying buttresses and clock in tower.

The best descriptions in detail are the 10th Anniv. booklet-1867, Dr. Sabine's excellent book on its architecture, and Schnall's Thesis---(see biblio.). Also Christian Intelligencer 4/28/1859. The 10th Anniv. description, also quoted by Dr. Sabine (above) follows: "The church is built of Newark and Belleville brownstone (the interior columns being of the same), in the style known as the 2nd period of Gothic. It covers an area of 66 x 154 feet outside of buttresses. The tower in the centre of the front is 20 feet square, supported by angular buttresses, and will be, when the contemplated stone spire is finished, at least 156' high. The roof is open-framed with clerestory, nave (55 feet high) and side aisles. There are galleries in the sides, an organ loft and choir gallery in the front." (rear) "In the rear" (front) " is an octagonal apsis for the pulpit. Behind the church is the chapel, containing the vestry, lecture room and Sabbath school rooms. The auditorium is 76 x 57, and will seat 1,000 persons. The chapel is 57 x 24 feet, which contains the lecture room in the first and the Sabbath school room in the second story. The bible class and infant school rooms, one above the other below, in a semi-octagon in the rear of the chapel, are each 22 x 20. Wm. H. Kirk, architect."

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Congressional Representation
 Honorable Clifford P. Case, U. S. Senator
 Honorable Harrison A. Williams, U.S. Senator
 Honorable Peter W. Rodino, Congressman, 10th Congressional District



8. Significance

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input checked="" 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) 1857-59, 1866-68, 1884-85

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

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

North Reformed Church, although being the third church of that denomination in Newark had a very aristocratic congregation. Among the parishoners are Peter Ballantine, the Frelinghuysens, William Kirk and the Polhemus Family. Several nationally known politicians were also among the congregation.

The architecture of the church is said to be an improvement on plans made by Richard Upjohn. William Kirk, the architect of the church is said to have used also the design of several churches in Newark and around the U.S. He also turned to churches in Europe for inspiration for the North Reformed Church.

Over the years many incidents caused harm to both the interior and exterior of the church but the congregation has been faithful about restoring it to the original plans.

The size of the membership has vastly shrunk with urban changes, but the out reach includes an effective Downtown mid-day ministry, social out reach, music and programs of intellectual appeal.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Newark Daily Advertiser 1/7/1857

Sabine: The North Reformed Church of Newark, New Jersey. An Architectural Study.

Shaw: History of Hudson and Essex Counties.

Upjohn: Richard Upjohn, Architect and Churches.

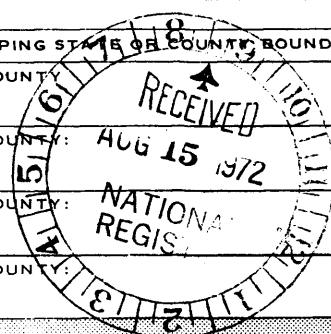
10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 1

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:
Donald W. Geyer, licensed "professional planner" & architectural/historian

ORGANIZATION: _____ DATE: 10/71

STREET AND NUMBER:
351 Broad Street

CITY OR TOWN: **Newark** STATE: **New Jersey** CODE: 34

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: Richard J. Sullivan
Richard J. Sullivan

Title: Commissioner, Department of Environmental Protection

Date: August 2, 1972

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

Robert W. Utley
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date: 10/5/72

ATTEST: William H. Pruitt
Keeper of The National Register

Date: 10-3-72