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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

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Swedish Lutheran Church of Strandburg

AND/OR COMMON

Tabor Lutheran Church of Strandburg

LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Main Street

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Strandburg

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

1st

STATE

South Dakota

VICINITY OF

CODE

046

COUNTY

Grant

CODE

051

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

OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Tabor Lutheran Church

STREET & NUMBER

Main

CITY, TOWN

Strandburg

STATE

South Dakota

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Grant County Court House - Register of Deeds

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Milbank

STATE

South Dakota

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

South Dakota Historic Sites Survey

DATE

September 1976

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Historical Preservation Center

CITY, TOWN

Vermillion

STATE

South Dakota

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

EXCELLENT
 GOOD
 FAIR

DETERIORATED
 RUINS
 UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

UNALTERED
 ALTERED

CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE
 MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Swedish Lutheran Tabor Church of Strandburg sits in an open area in the city with a paved county road in front and a cemetery to its rear. The structure displays a modified Late Victorian Gothic Style with an annex attached to the rear, which makes the floor plan L shaped. A reddish brick veneer covers the building; it is a Wisconsin Red Press Brick.

Only a few alterations have occurred on this 1910 church; these are: the entry was changed and a basement was dug out in 1948. Also the cathedral glass was damaged by a hail storm so the members of the church fixed these windows in 1966. Lancet arched openings appear on almost every opening except for a few windows in the back which are flat topped. Lugsills appear on all fenestrations.

A central, square shaped tower entry appears on the west facade; it has a polygonal termination, pinnacles with crockets, a louvred belfry and a latin cross finial. The nave is terminated by a six-sided apse which projects slightly from the east facade. Other features include a gable roof and a rockfaced ashlar foundation. Several of the stained glass windows depict Biblical scenes. Other windows from the interior utilize muntin to form trefoil designs.

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 type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" 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	1905-1910	BUILDER/ARCHITECT	Erick Schold
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Swedish Lutheran Tabor Church of Strandburg is significant on a local level for religious and architectural reasons. The building has housed this denomination since 1910 which makes it important to that religious community. It also provides a good and the only example for the town of a local adaption of the late Victorian Gothic design.

Actually the church's origins begin in 1883 when the Swedish Evangelical church was founded; two years later a committee chose Strandburg as the permanent location. In 1892 members erected a wooden structure which burned in 1905 when lightning struck the steeple. This was financially disastrous for the buildings mortgage had just been paid off.

The Congregation decided to rebuild but this was a slow process taking from 1905 to 1910. A large brick veneer church was the result; it cost over twelve thousand dollars and Reverend Erick Schold and a building committee designed the building. The structure appears almost exactly as it did sixty-seven years ago.

Some historical facts should be mentioned about the church. First most of its original members were Swedish immigrants; therefore services were given in their native language. Gradually Swedish was phased out in favor of English. Some of the ministers who served the church include: A. Engdah, first regular pastor, Augustus A. Nelson, first resident pastor, Erick Schold, designer of the church, and Gustave E. Rydquist who served the longest from 1918 to 1933.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 1 1/2 acres
 UTM REFERENCES None Available

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 ZONE EASTING NORTHING

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Longitude $96^{\circ} 46' 29''$
 Latitude $45^{\circ} 02' 24''$

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE
 Scott Gerloff - Survey Coordinator

ORGANIZATION
 Historical Preservation Center

STREET & NUMBER
 TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN
 Vermillion

STATE
 South Dakota

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

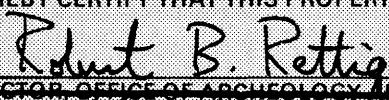

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL STATE LOCAL

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  DATE 10/14/77

TITLE Director/Historical Preservation Center DATE

FOR NPS USE ONLY	
I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER	
DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHAEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION 	DATE <u>2/17/78</u> KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER
ATTEST: 	DATE <u>2-8-78</u>
KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER	