

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Minnesota	
COUNTY: Houston	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER 70.6.22.0003	DATE 6/3/70

1. NAME

COMMON:
Emanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church

AND/OR HISTORIC:
Methodist Episcopal Church *see letter July 10, 1978*

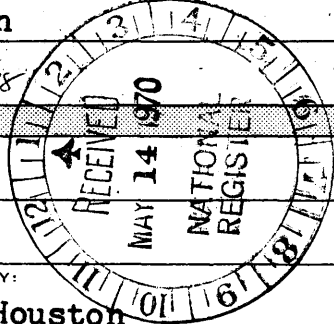
Church of the Holy Comforter

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
Main Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Brownsville

STATE: **Minnesota** CODE: **22** COUNTY: **Houston** CODE: **055**



3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) None

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Congregation of Emanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: **Brownsville** STATE: **Minnesota** CODE: **22**

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Houston County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: **Caledonia** STATE: **Minnesota** CODE: **22**

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
None

DATE OF SURVEY: Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE: CODE:

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

(Check One)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated
(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

This frame building on a stone foundation is sheathed in board and batten and roofed in tin. The vertical board and batten, tall and pointed windows, and steep roof all demonstrate an early Gothic style, which was just becoming popular in the 1850s when it was built. The main part is 18' x 34'; the ell is 14' x 12' and the vestibule 5' x 7'. A little earth brown paint has survived the weathering. The structure is sound enough to merit restoration. Its location provides a panorama of the Mississippi River.

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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)

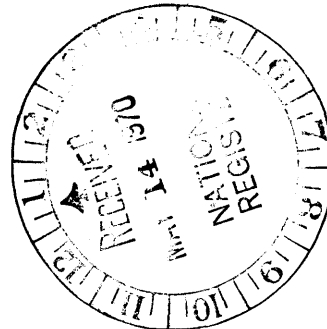
AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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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 type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

What is now called the Emanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church is believed to be the first public building, and one of the first frame buildings, in Brownsville. Bryant's History of Houston County refers to it as "...the first public building which was called the Town Hall and was used as a church and schoolhouse and is now the Methodist Episcopal Church. In this building, in May, 1857, Miss M.U. Wells began a school". Charles Brown, one of the two pioneering brothers to settle Brownsville in 1848 is given credit for building this church. Both local citizens and the county historical society wish to acquire and preserve this survivor of the era in order to prevent its falling into the hands of disinterested persons.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

An Illustrated Historical Atlas of the State of Minnesota,
 1874. Bryant, Charles S. History of Houston County, 1882.
Platbook of Houston County, Minnesota, Warner & Foote,
 1878. Brownsville Bugle
Brownsville Bugle

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			OR	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES.		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
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NE	° ' "	° ' "				
SE	° ' "	° ' "				
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: .5

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:
John Grossman, Survey & Planning

ORGANIZATION: **Minnesota Historical Society** DATE: **4-23-70**

STREET AND NUMBER:
Fort Snelling Branch, Building 25, Fort Snelling 55111

CITY OR TOWN: **St. Paul** STATE: **Minnesota** CODE: **22**

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: Russell W. Fridley

Title: Director, Minnesota Historical Society

Date: 4-27-70

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

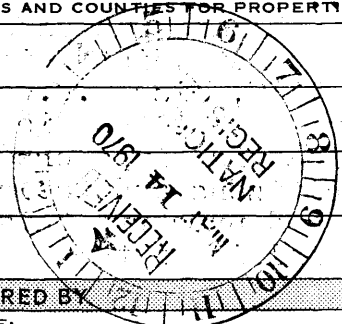
Ernest Allen Connally
 Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date: JUN 2 1970

ATTEST:

William J. Smutge
 Keeper of The National Register

Date: MAY 27 1970

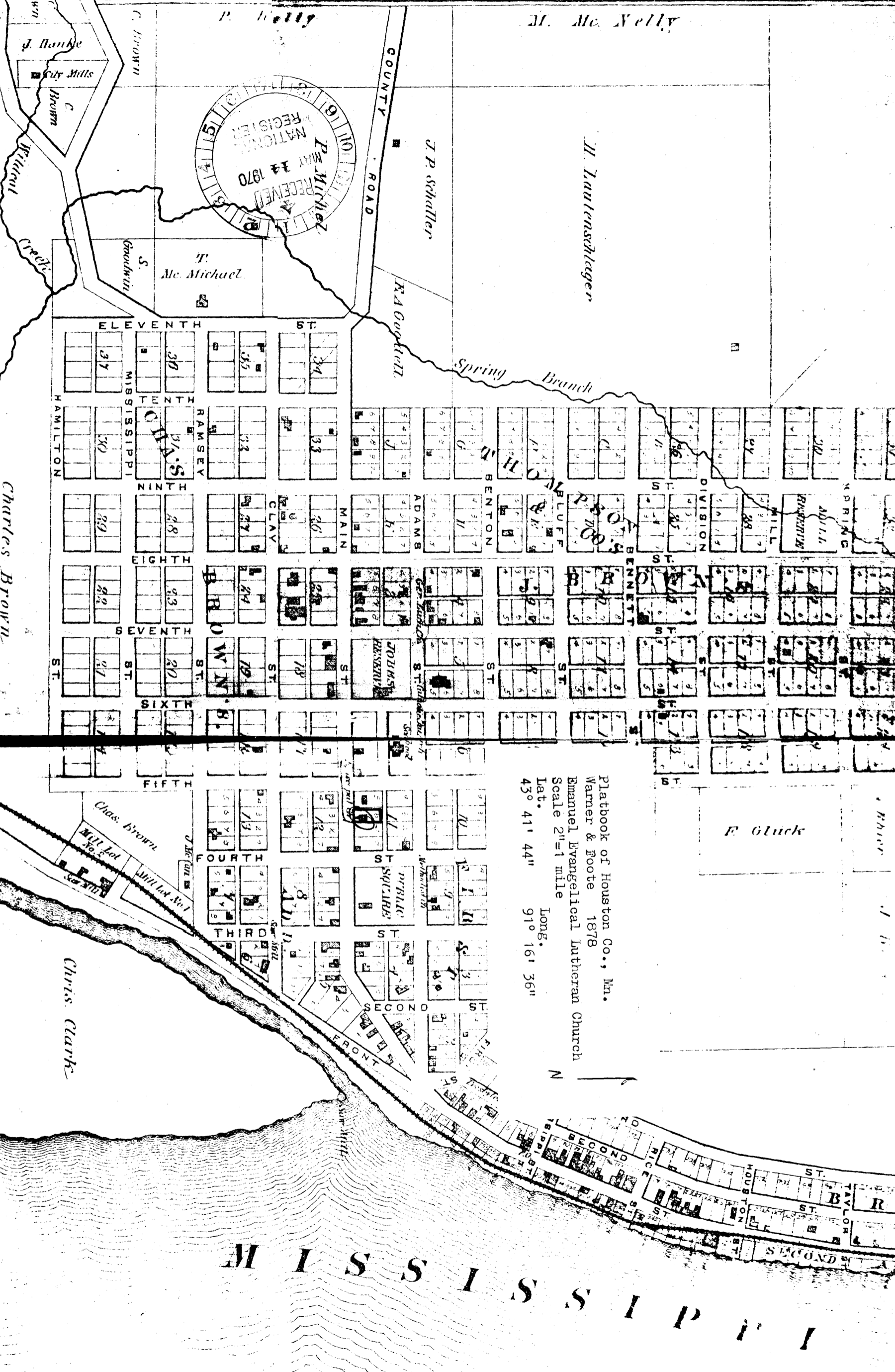


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Platbook of Houston Co., Mn.
 Warner & Foote 1878
 Emanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church
 Scale 2"=1 mile
 Lat. 43° 41' 44" Long. 91° 16' 36"



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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
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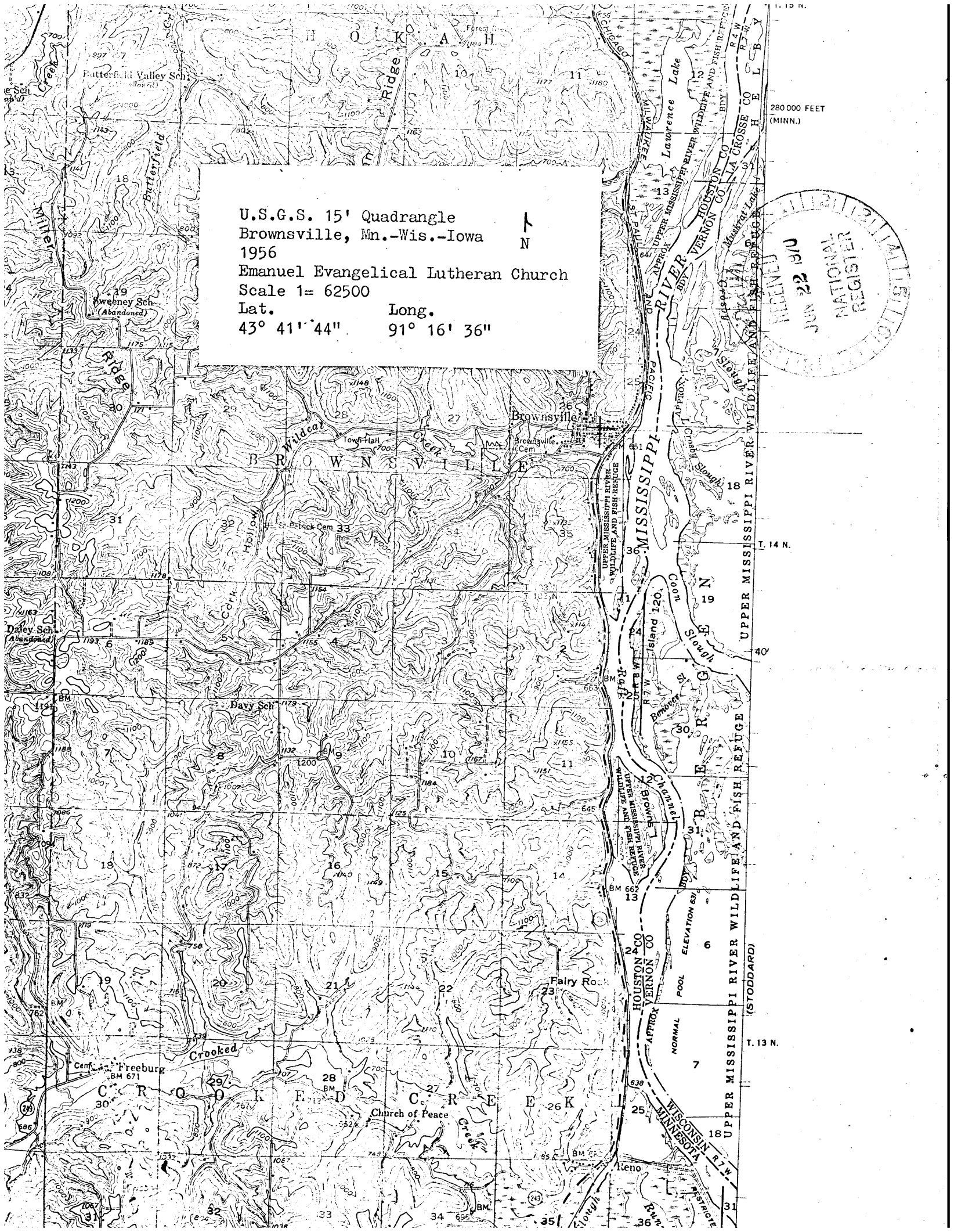
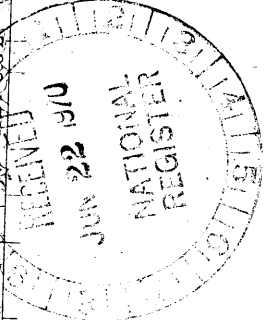
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CODE			
055			
3. MAP REFERENCE			
SOURCE:			
Platbook of Houston County, Minn. Warner & Foote			
SCALE:			
1 mi. = 2"			
DATE:			
1878			
4. REQUIREMENTS			
TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS			
1. Property boundaries where required.			
2. North arrow.			
3. Latitude and longitude reference.			

U.S.G.S. 15' Quadrangle
Brownsville, Mn.-Wis.-Iowa
1956
Emanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church
Scale 1= 62500
Lat. 43° 41' 44" Long. 91° 16' 36"



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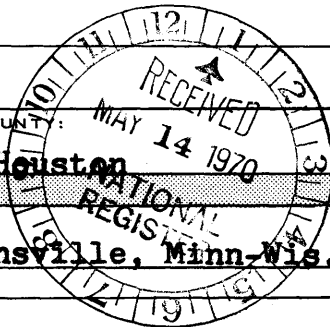
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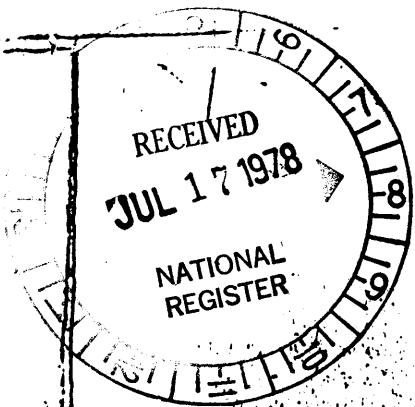
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2. LOCATION			
STREET AND NUMBER: Main Street			
CITY OR TOWN: Brownsville			
STATE: Minnesota	CODE 22	COUNTY: Houston	CODE 055
3. MAP REFERENCE			
SOURCE: U.S.G.S. 15' Quadrangle, Brownsville, Minn.-Wis.-Iowa			
SCALE: 1 = 62500			
DATE: 1956			
4. REQUIREMENTS			
TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS			
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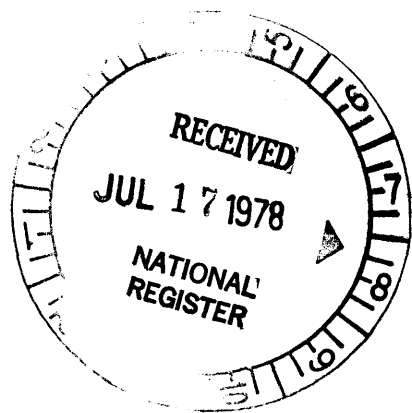
HELD IN

CHRIST CHURCH, SAINT PAUL,

JUNE 14th & 15th, A. D. 1871.

SAINT PAUL:
PIONEER PRINTING COMPANY.

1871.



Town	Name	Parish	Founded
Brownton	St. Mary's		1888
Brownsville	Holy Comforter	•	1871 ✓
Caledonia	Trinity		1868
Cannon City	Holy Innocents	•	1861
Cannon Falls	Redeemer		1866
Chutfield	St. Matthew's		1858
Cokato	St. Sigfrid's (Swedish)		1892
Coringa	St. Mark's	•	1878
Dakota	St. John's		1888
Defano	Holy-Spirit	•	1873
Dodge Center	Calvary		1910
Dresbach	St. James'		1887
Dundas	Holy Cross		1891
Elysian	Grace		1886
Elk River	Trinity	•	1862
Excelsior	Trinity		1890
Fairbault	Our Merciful Saviour	Cathedral	1858
Fairmont	St. Martin's		1859
Farmington	Advent		1871
Fridley	Holy Trinity	•	1888
Frontenac	Christ Church		1862
(Glencoe)	Christ Church	•	
Good Thunder	St. John's		1857
(Goose Creek)	St. James'		1891
(Granite Falls)	Trinity		
Hassan	St. John's		1857
Hastings	St. Luke's	P	1855
Henderson	St. Jude's		1867
Hutchinson	St. John's		1895
Jackson	Christ Church		1900
Janesville	St. John's		1875
Kasson	St. Peter's		1873
Kenyon	Ascension		1872
Lake Benton	St. John's		1888
Lake City	St. Mark's	P	1860
Lake Crystal	All Angel's	•	1878
Le Center	St. Paul's		1888
Le Sueur	St. John's		1867
Litchfield	Trinity	P	1860
	Emmanuel (Swedish)		1892
Luyenne	Holy Trinity		1888
Madeline	Christ Church	•	1876
Madison Lake	Good Shepherd		1915
Mankato	St. John's	P	1866
Marquette	St. John's		1861
Marshall	St. James		1881
Mazeppa	St. Andrew's		1895

CHURCH OF THE HOLY COMFORTER, BROWNSVILLE.

REV. C. FREDERIC STREET, M. A.

Baptisms, 10--Adults, 5; Infants, 5. Confirmations, 10. Communicants last reported, 9; added, 9. Present number of Communicants, 18. Burials, 2. Total number in Cure--Families, 15; Souls, 80; Confirmed, 19. Sunday School--Teachers, 7; Scholars, 40.

OFFERINGS.

PARISH.	
Salary.....	\$112 00
Current expenses, by purchasing lot, furnishing Church, &c.....	244 00
Contributions for Church work.....	56 00
Total for the Parish.....	\$412 00
DIOCESAN.	
Missions.....	\$ 11 00
Total for Diocesan.....	\$ 11 00
Total of Offerings from Parish.....	\$423 00
AID RECEIVED.	
Parish Work, Church Building.....	\$ 75 00
Total of Aid Received.....	\$ 75 00
Grand Total.....	\$498 00

TRINITY CHURCH, LITCHFIELD.

REV. T. G. CRUMP.

Baptisms, 8--Adults, 2; Infants, 6. Confirmations, 7. Communicants last reported, 12; added, 8. Present number of Communicants, 12. Marriages, 3. Burials, 3. Total number in Cure--Families, 12; Souls, 36; Baptized, 20; Confirmed, 12. Sunday School--Teachers, 4; Scholars, 30. Sunday School Library, 75 Vols.

OFFERINGS.

PARISH.	
Salary	\$ 240 00
Current expenses.....	8 75
Communion Alms.....	4 00
Lots for Church Building.....	450 00
Subscription for Parsonage.....	1,000 00
Total for the Parish.....	\$1,702 75
DIOCESAN.	
Missions	\$ 10 00
Diocesan Education.....	2 50
Total for Diocesan.....	\$ 12 50
Total of Offerings from Parish.....	\$1,715 25

AID RECEIVED.

Salary.....	\$ 300 00
Parish Work.....	6,000 00
Total of Aid Received.....	\$6,300 00
Grand Total.....	\$8,015 25

Number of Missionary Stations at which monthly services are held, 14. Occasional services at four other points, making in all 18 stations. Baptisms, 12--Adults, 1; Infants, 1. Marriages, 1. Burials, 2. Off from stations, Diocesan Missions, \$20.00; Sunday School purposes, \$20.00; General expenses, \$85.00. Number of miles traveled, 5,000. Number of services, 136. Number of Churches, 1. Sunday Schools, 3. Communicants, 50.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN, SAUK CENTRE.

REV. GEO. STEWART.

Baptisms--Infants, 32. Communicants last reported, 20; added, 6; re-ceived, 1. Present number of Communicants, 25. Marriages, 1. Total number in Cure--Families, 80; Souls, 350; Baptized, 32.

OFFERINGS.

PARISH.	
Communion Alms.....	\$ 2 80
Total for the Parish.....	\$ 2 80
DIOCESAN.	
Missions	\$ 5 00
Total for Diocesan.....	\$ 5 00
Total of Offerings from Parish.....	\$ 7 80
AID RECEIVED.	
Salary	\$82 50
Total of Aid Received.....	\$62 50
Grand Total.....	\$70 30

HOLY CROSS CHURCH, DUNDAS.

REV. WM. J. GOLD.

Baptisms, 10--Infants, 10; Confirmations, 4; Communicants last reported, 12; added, 7. Present number of Communicants, 19. Marriages, 3. Burials, 3. Total number in Cure--Families, 23; Confirmed, 26. Sunday School--Teachers, 1; Scholars, 60. Parish Library, 30 Vols. Sunday School Library,

OFFERINGS.

PARISH.	
Salary	\$300 00
Current expenses.....	75 00
Communion Alms.....	61 43
Christmas donation to Pastor.....	25 00
Total for the Parish.....	\$461 43