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The Trinity Episcopal Church is a one-story Greek Revival frame structure, prefabricated of white pine with wood peg fasteners. / It has a pitched roof with a heavy wooden cornice and front pediment. The recessed front porch is supported by two hollowed, fluted, wooden, Ionic columns with molded concrete bases. There are wooden antae at all four corners of the structure as well as in-antas at each side of the porch. On the right and left sides of the porch there is a plain wooden door leading to stairways which go to what was used as a slave balcony in the antebellum era. The main front entranceway is composed of four six panelled wooden doors and the inner vestibule has a double glass door with a seven paned transom above it. The entablature which surrounds the front, sides and part of the back of the building is plain and there is a round window in the corniced front pediment.

The chimney is brick with an arched brick cap. The roofing is sheet metal and the bell tower is a square wooden structure with cornice, pyramidal asphalt roof, and corner pilasters. On all four sides, it has rectangular openings with pointed arches and a small wooden railing at the base of each opening. There are two twelve light windows on the upper part of the recessed front porch. On each side of the building there are three large windows with twenty-four lights per window. These are covered with wood louvered shutters made up of horizontal bands of four panels each.

The inside of the church has four tapered Ionic columns supporting the balcony. When the church was remodeled in 1921, the pipe organ which had been in use since 1856 was moved to the balcony and a new organ was placed in the front of the church on the right side of the altar. Also during the 1921 remodeling the chancel was recessed, one stained glass window was placed above the altar, the foundation was repaired, a new floor was laid, and the pews were rearranged to form a central aisle. Two more stained glass windows were donated in 1923 and placed at each side and slightly lower than the window donated in 1921.

The church is now in use and is in excellent physical condition.

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The Trinity Episcopal Church of Apalachicola is one of the oldest Episcopal churches in Florida and the building is an excellent example of Greek Revival architecture. The church was first organized in 1835 as Christ Church; in 1838 the name was changed to Trinity Church. It was officially incorporated on February 11, 1837 by act of Governor Call. One of the charter members was John Gorrie, the inventor of the artificial ice machine.

'In 1838 the Apalachicola Land Company conveyed to the church vestry a lot on which a church building could be constructed. Pews were sold to help finance the structure. From this source \$11,575 was raised. There is a chart posted in the church showing the original subscribers.

The church structure was prefabricated in New York and sent by ship to Apalachicola where it was assembled in 1839. It is believed to be one of the first prefabricated buildings in Florida. The building was consecrated on February 15, 1841.

A bell was placed in the tower at the time of construction and an organ was donated in 1856. During the Civil War it is reported that the bell was donated to the Confederate Army for cannon and the cushions and carpets were donated to be made into blankets. In 1921 the original organ was replaced by a new one and the old organ was moved to the slave balcony in the rear of the church where it still stands.



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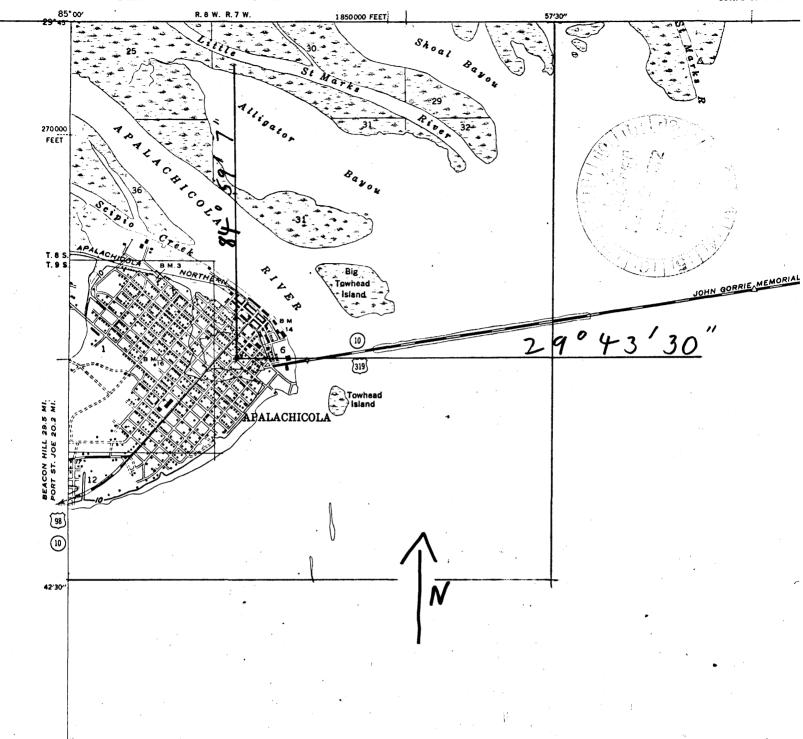
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