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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
First Methodist Episcopal Church, South
AND/OR COMMON
Trinity Methodist Church

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
400 Broadway St.
CITY, TOWN
Pueblo
STATE
Colorado

— NOT FOR PUBLICATION
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
3

— VICINITY OF

CODE
08

COUNTY
Pueblo

CODE
101

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME
George F. McCarthy

STREET & NUMBER
401 Broadway

CITY, TOWN
Pueblo

STATE
Colorado

— VICINITY OF

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.
Register of Deeds; Pueblo County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER
10th & Main

CITY, TOWN
Pueblo

STATE
Colorado

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE
Colorado Inventory of Historic Sites (51/04/0028)

DATE
Ongoing

— FEDERAL — STATE — COUNTY — LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS
Colorado Historical Society, 1300 Broadway

CITY, TOWN
Denver

STATE
Colorado 80203

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

Located at 400 Broadway in Pueblo, the First Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is a single detached structure one and one-half stories in height and built of brick laid in courses of stretcher bond. The main or west facade has a large central bay flanked by a two-story belltower on the northwest corner and a small octagonal tower on the southwest corner; the north facade is a mirror image of the west; the east or rear side of the structure has a low, one and one-half story addition constructed twenty years after the original church; the south facade has two bays. The roof is gabled.

The secondary features are elaborate. There are many stained glass windows, the most notable of which occur in the large central bays on the west and north facades. Between the windows and the great Romanesque arch above lie wooden panels with two large quatrefoils and four small wooden circles. In the high gable on the main facade is a brick circle filled with a wooden design of six, fan-shaped panels. Opposite, on the back of the building is a second brick circle, this one filled with a design intercepted by four lines resembling spikes which form a cross with an arc and which suggest an inner cross. The large bays on the west and north facades are set below elaborate corbelling. A dentil course runs around the structure at the roof lines. Entry occurs through doors located in the belltower on the northwest corner. This tower as well as the building walls display a number of buttresses.

The interior retains much of its integrity. The nave has a plastered octagonal dome, now painted with a mural. The ceiling is thus divided into eight different sections which are carried into wooden counterparts at the top of each wall section.

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6 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 1902

BUILDER/ARCHITECT George W. Roe

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The First Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is significant for its architectural features; for the role it has played in the religious heritage of Pueblo; and for its associations with George W. Roe, an important early architect in Pueblo.

The First Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was organized in 1871. Its first building, called the Corona Chapel, was erected in 1877 at what is now 217 Midway, but shortly after 1900 the church decided upon another structure. George W. Roe, a prominent architect in Pueblo, presented a design, and the new building was erected in 1902, although the windows were not installed for another year. The church was consecrated on August 23, 1903, by Bishop Charles Galloway of Nashville, Tennessee. Several ministers who served the church became district superintendents or presiding elders. In 1939, however, there was a merger between the Methodist Episcopal Churches North and South, and in that year the church assumed the name Trinity. Several years later the group erected a new structure at Alma and Lucas streets, and as a result sold the structure to its present owner.

George W. Roe, the architect who designed the church, was a man of prominence in Pueblo. He executed many important commissions for leading citizens as well as for the city and county. Among his works are the Centennial School, Stimpson Block, Riverside School, Exchange Block, Fountain School, Bergeman Block, Carlile School, Sommerlid School, Strait Building, and Bessemer City Hall. These structures were admired for their massive elegance and harmony of effect. The First Methodist Episcopal Church South is just such a structure; it reflects Roe's local adaptation of certain Romanesque elements, and is a fine example of church architecture in Pueblo.

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 Albert W. Scarffe, "History of Trinity United Methodist Church," unpublished paper, 1978.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

UTM NOT VERIFIED

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY less than 1

QUADRANGLE NAME Northeast Pueblo

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:24,000

UTM REFERENCES

A 1,3 5,3,2 9,7,0 4,2,3,4 0,0,0

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Lots 1 and 2 in Block 133 South, Pueblo, Colorado

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE A. James Munch, Environmental Planner
 B. Albert W. Scarffe, Minister

ORGANIZATION A. Pueblo Regional Planning Commission
 B. Trinity United Methodist Church

DATE A. 12-12-78
 B. 12-12-78

STREET & NUMBER A. 1 City Hall Place
 B. 540 Alma Avenue

TELEPHONE A. (303) 543-6006
 B. (303) 542-7603

CITY OR TOWN A. Pueblo
 B. Pueblo

STATE A. Colorado
 B. Colorado

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 *William C. Anderson*

TITLE State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE *Sept. 17, 1979*

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Carol D. Steel

DATE *11-14-79*

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ATTEST: *William H. Graham*

DATE *11.8.79*

CHIEF OF REGISTRATION