

MINNESOTA HISTORIC PROPERTIES INVENTORY FORM

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HISTORIC NAME: Maplewood Chapel COUNTY: Rock
 CURRENT NAME: Maplewood Chapel CITY/TWP.: Luverne
 LEGAL DESC.: NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$, of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$, ADDRESS: County Road 61
 of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$, of Sec. 10, T102, R45. West Warren Street

CLASSIFICATION:	CONDITION:	SIGNIFICANCE:	THEME/S:
Building <u>X</u>	Excellent _____	Local <u>X</u>	Primary <u>Religion</u>
Structure _____	Good <u>X</u>	State _____	Secondary <u>Architecture</u>
Object _____	Fair _____	National _____	Others _____
District _____	Deteriorated _____		

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Yes ___ No ___ Restricted X PRESENT USE:
 VISIBLE FROM THE ROAD: Yes X No ___ Cemetery chapel
 OCCUPIED: Yes X No ___

DATE CONSTRUCTED: 1895 ORIGINAL USE: Cemetery chapel
 ORIGINAL OWNER: Maplewood Cemetery Association ARCHITECT/BUILDER: W.E.E. Greene

OWNER'S NAME AND ADDRESS: Maplewood Cemetery Association Luverne, Minnesota	ACREAGE: Less than one acre <u>X</u>
LOCAL CONTACT/ORG.:	UTM REFERENCE: 14 / 723280 / 4836980
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DATE: November 1978	

DESCRIPTION:

This Gothic Revival chapel is centrally located within Maplewood Cemetery. The small white shingled building consists of a rectangular nave with a rectangular apse on the north side. A large porte cochere extends off the east side sheltering the double-panel transomed doorway. The shingled roofs of both nave and porte cochere have decorative ridge flashing. In the south wall a stained glass lancet window memorializes the Ladies Cemetery Association. It is flanked by a pair of rectangular stained glass windows. The words "Maplewood Chapel" are incorporated into the stained glass transom window above the door.

SIGNIFICANCE:

Maplewood Chapel is significant as one of the few cemetery chapels found in southwestern Minnesota. The building is in good condition. Two stained glass windows were broken in a hailstorm in 1965. The remaining windows are original. The shingle siding is unusual for Rock County architecture. Of particular note is the decorative pattern of shingles in the porte cochere gable.

The W.E.E. Greene designed structure was built by Hafsaas and Soutar of Luverne.