

KENTUCKY HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

Site No. Wd-93

1. Historic Name(s) <u>Mt. Pisgah Presbyterian Church</u>		22. ADD/County <u>Burgess, Woodford</u> 120	
Original Owner <u>Presby. Union congregation</u>		23. U.S.G.S. Quadrant (15'/75') <u>Versailles vic.</u> 128	
2. Present Name <u>Pisgah Presbyterian Church</u>		24. UTM Reference	
3. Location <u>E. side 1967, 1/2 mi N of US 60</u>		<u>16</u> Zone	<u>705860</u> Easting
4. Owner's Name <u>Pisgah Presbyterian Church</u>		<u>4214040</u> Northing	
5. Owner's Address <u>Pisgah Pk., Versailles Ky. 40383</u>		25. Coordinate Accuracy <input type="checkbox"/>	
6. Open to Public Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	7. Visible from road Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	26. Prehistoric Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object	
9. Local Contact/Organization		Historic Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure	
		Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other	
		27. National Register District Name: <input type="checkbox"/>	
10. Site Plan with North Arrow <u>see attached boundary form</u>		28. Significance Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/>	
11. Architect		29. Status	
12. Builder		National Landmark <input type="checkbox"/> Date	
13. Date <u>1812, 1868</u> A. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> B. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		National Register <input type="checkbox"/>	
14. Style		Landmark Certificate <input type="checkbox"/>	
A. <u>Federal</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Kentucky Survey <input type="checkbox"/>	
B. <u>Gothic Revival</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Local Landmark <input type="checkbox"/>	
15. Original Use <u>Church</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		HABS/HAER <input type="checkbox"/>	
16. Present use <u>Church</u>		30. Historic Theme	
17. Condition <u>Excellent</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Primary <u>Architecture</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
		Secondary <u>Religion</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
		Other <input type="checkbox"/>	
18. Description		31. Endangered Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
3 buildings - 2 limestone frame. The stone church was erected in 1812 in the Federal style, and remodelled in 1868 in the Gothic Revival style. The walls up to the window sills, the whole E wall, and flooring and		32. Preservation Project Status <input type="checkbox"/>	
(Continue on Back) (over)		Actual Cost in \$1,000s <input type="checkbox"/>	
19. History		33. ATTACH PHOTO <u>in attached envelope</u>	
Church founded and built by early Scotch Irish settlers from Augusta Co., Va. First service conducted by Rev. David Rice who later sent Rev. Adam Rankin as first minister. Donations to build the academy (over)		Roll No. _____	
20. Significance		Picture No. _____	
Early church remodelled into Gothic style. Especially beautiful and picturesque buildings and grounds, in continual use since 1784.		Direction _____	
21. Source of Information		34. Prepared by: <u>C. M. Woolley</u>	
18. inspection, 1978 survey form		35. Organization _____	
19. Church records, some attached		36. Date <u>1983</u>	
		37. Revision Dates _____ 38. Staff Review _____	

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foundation were left. The form is a rectangle (like Wd-154) with steep gable roof, almost equilateral gable over the front. The recessed central double doorway is flanked by shuttered windows. (photo 2) Above the entrance is a double pointed arch window flanked by narrow lancets on each side. The front gable has a vergeboard of trefoil openings set in triangular panels that create a chevron-like pattern from the corner pendants up to the central pinnacle which bears a cross. Five pointed arch windows, with (photo 1) exceptional (1888) stained glass, line each side wall. A similar oval window was placed over the pulpit. The door (now closed) in the E. end retains the 1812 transoms.

The academy building was originally a 3 bay (photo 4) 1 story dry stone early 19th C school house, replacing the original log dog trot building. The stone school house was also remodelled into Gothic style in 1905. In 1955 a large Colonial Revival addition was built on the E. end of the academy, quadrupling its size.

The manse is a 2 story Gothic Revival frame (photo 7) house. The symmetrical facade has slightly projecting central gabled pavilion with vergeboards matching those on the gable ends. Small Italianate front porch. Later addition on rear. Two interior chimneys. All windows are coupled and some topped w Tador labels.

The church has a strikingly unspoiled setting among old trees; large old graveyard N. of church. Properly bordered along Pisgah Pike by early rock fence. Two driveway openings flanked by ashlar entrances (1907) with fine wrought iron gates. (photo 7)

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which had its beginnings jointly with Transylvania University, were received from notables in Philadelphia in 1795 - Geo. Washington, 7 signers of the Declaration of Independence, 4 U.S. Senators and Sec. of State.

The cemetery contains the graves of many of the earliest settlers in the area - seven Rev. soldiers among them.

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION & JUSTIFICATION

Beginning at A, at the SW corner of the property on the Pisgah Pike, thence with pike N and E to B at the property corner, thence with fence to C, another corner at an old tree line, thence with tree line W to the beginning, containing the church, academy, manse and cemetery - 30 acres.

SKETCH MAP OF SITE SHOWING BOUNDARIES AND KEY BUILDINGS AND FEATURES WITH NORTH ARROW.

