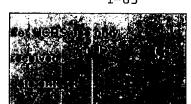
**United States Department of the Interior** Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service

# **National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form**



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state	Maryland	code 24 county	Talbot	code 041
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### Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

#### SUMMARY DESCRIPTION

All Saints' Church is a small rectangular frame church constructed in 1900, located near Easton in Talbot County, Maryland. The building's design reflects the influence of Richard Upjohn's <u>Upjohn's Rural Architecture</u>; it is clad in board-and-batten siding, and its nave is five bays long with a steeply-pitched gable roof. On the south facade, a gabled entrance porch with stickwork detailing occupies the westernmost bay, and lancet windows define the remaining four bays. A three-stage bell tower with a shingled spire rises adjacent to the westernmost bay of the north facade. A two-bay-wide apse projects from the east gable, and holds a tripartite stained-glass lancet window. A small gabled wing extends to the north of the apse. The west gable of the nave is pierced by two lancet windows below a small circular window. The interior retains its original woodwork, including decorative roof trusses and framing members, and vertical-board wainscoting. The building is undergoing rehabilitation for adaptive reuse as an artist's studio and living quarters.

#### GENERAL DESCRIPTION

All Saints' Church is located on the west side of the Old Wye Mills-Easton Road (Maryland Route 662) approximately one mile south of Longwoods, near Easton in Talbot County. The building is a small frame church structure, whose board and batten Gothic design reflects the influence of Richard Upjohn's pattern books.

Built on the brick foundation of a previous (1870) structure, the nave of the church building is rectangular, five bays long and has a steeply pitched gable roof reaching a height of 30 feet above the nave floor. The westernmost bay is defined by a gabled entrance porch on the south facade, and by a threestage bell tower on the north. The remaining bays of both facades hold narrow lancet windows. The exterior cladding has a flared wooden water table directly above the brick foundation, and horizontal clapboarding to the level of the window sills. Above the sills, the building is clad in vertical board and batten siding, with wide battens expressing the division of the bays. On the north side is a central exterior brick chimney stack which is tied into the roof by a small gable with stickwork detailing. On the east gable end of the main section is a two bay, gable roofed apse which has a one bay wing on its north side. The gable end of the apse has a triple lancet stained glass window, the gable end of the small north wing has a double lancet window, and the west side of the wing has a small entrance. The west end of the nave has a double lancet window, with horizontal siding rising to the spring of the pointed arches; a circular window is centered above these lancets in the gable, which has stickwork detailing

On the west end of the north facade is a large square bell tower with fish scale shingled spire. The tower contains a large bronze bell cast in 1900 in Baltimore. The tower is divided into three stages: the lowest, sheathed in

# 8. Significance

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Specific dates	1900	Builder/Architect	unknown	

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

Applicable Criterion: C

#### SIGNIFICANCE SUMMARY

All Saints' Church is significant for its architecture, as an example of the late 19th century board and batten Gothic style as applied to rural churches in the Tidewater region. The design is related to plans in Richard Upjohn's 1852 volume Upjohn's Rural Architecture, which was intended to serve as an architectural guide for rural parishes. Talbot and its surrounding counties contain numerous board and batten buildings including sheds, barns, houses, and a small chapel, but none is as distinguished or imposing a representative of the board and batten Gothic church as All Saints'. Its important features include the steeply-pitched roofs, lancet windows, board and batten siding, stickwork detailing, and a square bell tower with shingled spire which contains the original bronze bell.

#### HISTORY AND SUPPORT

All Saints' Church was established when George R. Goldsborough donated 35 acres of the Mill Farm to the Diocese of Easton for the purpose of building a church. The first structure was built in 1870 and burned to the ground in 1899. A second building was built, similar in style to the original, upon the remaining brick foundation in 1900 (cornerstone). The 1900 church building was paid for by Mrs. G. R. Goldsborough in memory of her late husband. The farming congregation provided the church furniture. In a will executed on May 3, 1899, George Goldsborough had directed that the remainder of the Mill Farm be sold and the proceeds set apart for the support of All Saints' Church.

All Saints' Parish was a very large one encompassing the farming communities of Skipton, Saulsbury, Cordova and Longwoods. The church was served by two rectors. From 1936 to the mid-1950s when the building was deconsecrated visiting clergy presided over services in the church. The building has remained closed and largely unattended from the date of its deconsecration until August 1982 when it was bought by Mrs. Armine' Berberian.

The original 35 acres owned by the parish included a rectory which burned in 1945, a parish house, barn, mill and sexton's lodge. All have been lost. The barn was torn down in 1979. Only the church building remains on the site.

9. M	lajor Bibliographical Refer	ences <sub>T-83</sub>
Ir	pjohn, Richard. <u>Upjohn's Rural Architectur</u> nterview with Mrs. John Donoho, 8/10/82. ierson, William H. Jr. <u>American Buildings</u> and Co., 1978).	<del></del>
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organizatio	on	date November 16, 1982; revised 3/83
street & nu	umber 5300 Holmes Run Parkway, #1404	telephone (703) 751-7174
city or tow	n Alexandria	state Virginia 22301
12. \$	State Historic Preservatio	n Officer Certification
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#### GENERAL DESCRIPTION (Continued)

horizontal clapboard with a single lancet window; above this a batten section with a joined double lancet window; and a third batten section with paired louvered ventilators of wide lancet shape. The tower is more heavily proportioned than the rest of the building, and reflects Queen Anne influence. At the west end of the south facade is a gabled entrance porch with elaborate stickwork detailing; it is pierced by three wondows on the east side, three windows on the west side and two windows facing south, one on each side of the double, Gothic-arched entrance door.

The interior retains its original woodwork, including decorative roof trusses and framing members, and vertical-board wainscoting.

The present building was constructed in 1900 to replace a similar 1870 structure, which burned to the ground in a December 1899 fire. The original brick foundation was used; only a few upper courses of new brick replaced those damaged by fire.

The building has been closed and vacant for over 25 years. Little maintenance has been provided. Some of the stained glass windows are vandalized; others have been stolen in their frames from the building. The building remains, however, structurally sound and is in good condition except for three severe leaks in the north side of the roof. The leaks have caused cracking of some wall surfaces and dry rot in some roof boards. The interior west wall has been badly scarred.

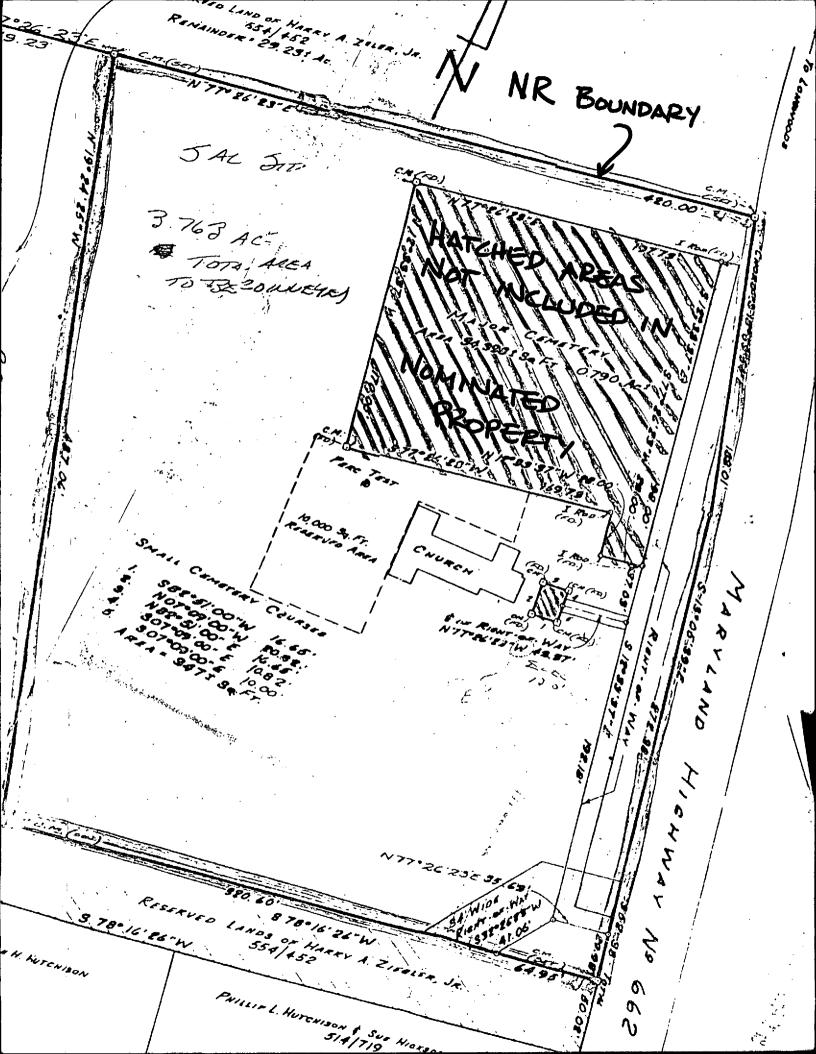
The building is currently undergoing rehabilitation and adaptation for use as an artist's studio and living quarters. Planned exterior alterations are limited to the insertion of three flush skylights on the north slope of the roof. On the interior, a mezzanine has been inserted into the chancel to provide bedroom, bathroom, and closet spaces, accessed by a circular stair; the sacristy has been adapted to a kitchen; bathroom and storage spaces have been inserted in the nave. In the course of these alterations, care has been taken to minimize damage to original building fabric.

#### BOUNDARY JUSTIFICATION

The nominated property, 3.763 acres, encompasses the church building and its immediate setting. Two cemetery spaces encompassed by the boundaries are not included in the nominated property.

#### VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The boundaries of the nominated property are depicted on the attached plat.



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