

Record No. \_\_\_\_\_

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DEC

INVENTORY FORM FOR NOMINATED PROPERTIES

Name of Property: First Congregational Church

Owner: First Congregational Church Date: 5/1985

Address: 214 East Capitol Drive

Owner's address: 214 East Capitol Drive

City: Hartland

County: Waukesha

\*160 NRHP Certification

(a) \_\_\_\_\_ (b) \_\_\_\_\_

(c) \_\_\_\_\_ (d) \_\_\_\_\_

165 NRHP Certification Date

(a) \_\_\_\_\_ (b) \_\_\_\_\_

(c) \_\_\_\_\_ (d) \_\_\_\_\_

\*170 Thematic or Multiple Resource Nomination Name

Historic Resources of Hartland

180 NRHP List Name First Congregational Church

\*200 Level of Significance Local

\*190 District Classification \_\_\_\_\_

\*210 Applicable Criteria Architecture/Engineering (C)

\*215 Criteria Considerations

\*220 Area of Significance

Architecture

230 Period of Significance 1923

60 Verbal Boundary Description Lot 20, Assessor's

Plat Number One, Village of Hartland,

Wisconsin.

70 USGS Quad Map Hartland

80 UTM Coordinates (Format: 99/999999/9999999)

16/390680/4773150

85 Listed Acreage Less than One

340 Review Board Date 7/18/86

\*use code tables for response

One Building

INTENSIVE SURVEY FORM

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LOCATION

PROGRAM REVIEW

10 County Waukesha

250 Tax No. \_\_\_\_\_ 260 Compliance No. \_\_\_\_\_

20 City or Village Hartland

270 A or D Grant \_\_\_\_\_

30 Civil Town \_\_\_\_\_

275 Covenant/Easement Dates \_\_\_\_\_

35 Unincorp. Community \_\_\_\_\_

\*320 Ownership private

40 Location 214 East Capitol Drive

\*330 ~~Lead Agency~~ in Historic Preservation Division

Town-Range-Section (Format: 9999W-99)

335 Local Agency SEWRPC

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SURVEY

55 Quarter Sections (Format: NW-NW) \_\_\_\_\_

90 Photo Codes 109-36, 46-13

60 Verbal Boundary Description Lot 20 ,

100 Survey Map Hartland Intensive Survey

60 Assessor's Plat number one, Village

110 Map Code 109-36

60 of Hartland, WI

120 Reconnaissance Survey Date Schockley

60 \_\_\_\_\_

130 Reconnaissance Surveyor 1979

\*140 Intensive Survey Name Hartland Intensive Survey

150 Intensive Surveyor Miller/Vogel

152 Surveyor Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

155 Intensive Survey FY 1985

\*235 Survey Eval. determined eligible

\*237 Survey District Classification contributing

\*240 Survey Level of Significance local

\*243 Survey Evaluation Criteria \_\_\_\_\_

245 \_\_\_\_\_

230 NHL Date \_\_\_\_\_

290 HABS No. \_\_\_\_\_ 300 HAER No. \_\_\_\_\_

\*305 Local Landmark (date) \_\_\_\_\_

310 Local District \_\_\_\_\_

315 Associated Archeological Site(s) \_\_\_\_\_

315 \_\_\_\_\_

dry mount  
photograph  
here

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ARCHITECTURE

Date of Construction: 1923

450 Construction (Heritage source) Chronicle, p.43

460 Date(s) of Alterations/Additions (source)

1953, 1985

480 ~~XXXXXX~~ (source) Wm. J. Redden  
Architect

\* 490 Designer Type (a) \_\_\_\_\_

(b) \_\_\_\_\_ (c) \_\_\_\_\_

500 Designer Name (a) Wm. J. Redden

(b) \_\_\_\_\_ (c) \_\_\_\_\_

\* 510 Style or Form Neogothic Revival

\* 520 Building Structure, Object or Site Type

Church

\* 530 Wall Material brick

\* 532 Trim Material stone

\* 535 Foundation Material concrete

\* 537 Roof Material asphalt shingles

540 Interior Visited no

\* 550 Structural System (source) \_\_\_\_\_

\* 560 Plan Configuration rectangular

\* 570 Number of Stories 1 w/basement

\* 580 Roof Shape multi-gable

590 Additional Description Full basement<sup>t</sup>

620 Condition excellant

\* 650 Related Buildings \_\_\_\_\_

HISTORY

430 Common Name First Congregational Church

435 Current Function Ecclesiastical

440 Historic Name (source) First Congregational Church

660 Associated Individual (source) \_\_\_\_\_

Stephen Warren

670 Associated Events (source) (a) \_\_\_\_\_

(b) \_\_\_\_\_

675 Dates of Events (source) (a) \_\_\_\_\_

(b) \_\_\_\_\_

680 Historic Functions (source) Ecclesiastical

(b) \_\_\_\_\_

685 Dates of Functions (source) (a) 1923-

(b) \_\_\_\_\_

\* 687 Cultural Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

688 Cultural Subgroup \_\_\_\_\_

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HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

Hartland's founder, Stephen Warren, his brother, Dewey and Norman Nicholson were among those meeting in Henry Cheney's barn in 1842. There, with Reverend S. Baker officiating, the First Congregational Church was organized. The congregation worshipped in various locations until 1847 when Warren and his wife, Mary, donated land for an \$1,800 brick church building (demolished). The church just completed, there was no money with which to provide the worshippers with musical accompaniment. Mary Warren solved that problem by lending her melodeon to the church on Sundays.

(A,B)

The church built an addition in 1898 and constructed a new building in 1923. The congregation continues today in its 1923 structure, although a new addition has been built on to it.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

This building is not eligible for historical significance under the religious structure guidelines for interpreting criterion A and B.

DESCRIPTION

Located at 214 East Capitol Drive in the Village of Hartland, the First Congregational Church is a rectangular brown brick multi-gabled structure one story tall in height on a stone foundation. The church was designed by architect William J. Redden of Racine in the Neo-Gothic Revival style and erected in 1923. A thirty-four foot brown brick tower with a crenellated parapet rises on the southeast corner of the main block. Double doors set in a round arch from the main entrance, located at the base of the tower. The First Congregational Church features lancet and tracery windows with leaded glass. On the rear is a non-contributing two-story brick addition with a hipped roof constructed in 1953, utilitarian in appearance. On the interior, the chancel area was remodeled in 1974. The nave is a space with simple lines, and a series of elaborate stained glass windows dedicated in memory of prominent early church members. A choir loft with a dark wood balustrade appears at the south end. Air circulation is provided by ceiling fans.

ARCHITECTURAL/ENGINEERING SIGNIFICANCE

The First Congregational Church is architecturally significant as a good local example of Neo-Gothic Revival style. Three of Hartland's churches are being nominated to the National Register. The Dansk Kirke (400 West Capitol Drive, 1910) is designed in a rustic, Gothic-influenced tradition of church architecture, and the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church (403 West Capitol Drive, 1910) represents an earlier example of the Gothic Revival style with a vernacular flavor. The First Congregational Church is an architect-designed structure, a later and more scholarly interpretation of the Neogothic Revival style, and retains excellent integrity, uncompromised by the addition, which is built to the rear of the church of matching scale and materials.

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