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Historic Resources of Hardin County

Historic Name: Christ Episcopal Church (HDE-6) Classification: Building  
Common Name: Christ Episcopal Church

Owner: Congregation, Poplar Street, Elizabethtown, KY 42701

Location: Poplar Street, Elizabethtown, KY

<u>Contributing:</u>		<u>Non-Contributing:</u>	
Buildings	1	Buildings	1
Structures	0	Structures	0
Sites	0	Sites	0
<u>Total:</u>	1	<u>Total:</u>	1

Description:

The Christ Episcopal Church is a one-story Gothic Revival style church built in 1850. The original section of the church features multi-light stained glass windows with label molding on the main facade. On all four facades are wall buttresses. The church has Gothic vergeboard eave trim and a gable roof with a wood shingle exterior. In 1877, a Romanesque design tower was added at the church's northeast corner. This tower has an original frame door, arched louvered vent windows, a corbelled brick cornice and conical roof and steeple. On the south facade of the church is a one-story brick parish house built in 1955 which is attached to the original church building through a one-story brick addition at the rear of the church. The original church building and tower have not been altered. The interior retains its original tongue in groove wall siding and wainscoting. The church also retains its original altar woodwork.

Period of Significance: 1850; 1877

Area of Significance: Architecture

Criterion: C

Architect/Builder: Unknown

Statement of Significance:

The Christ Episcopal Church is a notable example of the Gothic Revival style in the county. The church was built in 1850 to house the local Episcopal congregation. It was built in the Gothic Revival style with wall buttressing, label molding, eave vergeboard and other details. In 1877, a bell tower was added on the main facade with detailing to match the original structure. The Gothic Revival style is very rare in the county and the church is the best extant example. Although there is a modern addition adjacent to the church, they are clearly separate and there is no major loss of significance of site. There are no outbuildings.


Acreage: Less than one acre.

UTM References: Elizabethtown Quad 16/600670/4172395

Verbal Boundary Description and Justification:

The boundary for Christ Episcopal Church is illustrated on the accompanying Hardin County property tax map 221-1, block 12, lot 10, and is defined by the legal property boundary. The boundary includes the church, a non-contributing building, and property sufficient to protect the historical setting of the site.

HDE-6, Christ Episcopal  
Church  
Property Location  
Tax Map 221-1  
Block 12, Lot 10  
1" = 200'

Boundary 

MAR. 220-2

