

YANKTON COUNTY SURVEY

NAME Zion Lutheran Church

LOCATION SE 1/4, SE 1/4, Section 33, T95N, R54W

OWNER Zion Lutheran Church

ADDRESS Volin, South Dakota 57072

DESCRIPTION The 1915 Zion Lutheran Church is a Gothic Vernacular structure with a gable roof, single stack chimney, and wooden shingles. The two-tower front facade features double door entrances in each tower to either side of the central gable. The gable contains a large two story lancet window with tracery. The towers features corner buttresses with weathering, lancet windows on the second story in blind ocular windows, and sheet metal spires topped by finials. The taller tower, the bell tower, also has a louvered lancet opening, and a gabled spire base. The east and west facades feature a center gable with a large lancet tracery window, flanked by small lancet windows marking four additional bays. The east facade also includes two small entry additions with hip roofs and two over two double hung windows. The rear facade contains only a four panel door. The church's facing material is beveled wood siding, and the foundation is concrete block veneer cut by rectangular basement windows.

STYLE Gothic Vernacular

DATE 1915

SIGNIFICANCE The 1915 Zion Lutheran Church is significant in three areas: architecture, religion, and settlement. Although religious structures are usually not accepted, the church should be included in the resource area because, with its distinctive Gothic features, it is one of the more important structures architecturally. It has served its congregation for over 60 years. The church cemetery reflects the origins of its congregation of Norwegian and German immigrants. The gravestones thus reveal the settlement patterns of the area. The oldest marked grave is dated 1882.

ACREAGE 4

BOUNDARIES The nominated property is located 2000 feet east of Clay Creek and 2800 feet southeast of the former Marindahl Post Office on the north side of the east-west gravel road.

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