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The building is a <u>one-story rectangle $26'-10'' \times 50'-4''$ </u>, exclusive of vestibule. The battered-concrete foundations, which have recently been painted, are not original. The walls are salmon buff brick laid in common bond with headers every seventh course. The wood framed roof is gabled and covered with wood shingles. The wood frame vestibule is a later addition. The chimneys in the east and west walls serve the **cast** iron and porcelain enameled stove.

The front entrance is a Gothic arch with a pair of doors under a glass transom bordered with tiny square panes in wood muntins. There is no other entrance or exit. The windows are double hung in Lancet openings glazed with obscure glass. The cornice is very simple, rectangular boards without other moldings. A small louvered wooden belfry with the bell is of construction similar to the vestibule and is probably of the same date.

The building is a single room with a platform one step above the floor at the south end opposite the entrance at the north. Diagonal wood flooring meets at the center of the room. The walls are plaster over masonry and the ceiling is plaster on wood lath. Pendant electric light fixtures, each with five glass shaded bulbs, light the chapel.

The present condition of the building is fair. Some of the plaster is loose, a few of the windows are broken and the roof needs new shingles. A Utah Methodism Centennial Committee has been organized and is planning the complete restoration of the building.



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Corinne, Utah lays claim to several distinctive features. It was Utah's first "Gentile" City, having been dreamed of in 1868, but born and built during March and April, 1869, when the Union Pacific Railroad tracks reached there. It was the last U.P.R.R. track town built on the transcontinental line, having 1500 inhabitants within a month and 3,000 by the end of April. It was laid out by J. E. Hause, chief engineer for the Union Pacific Railroad. Its name came either from Corinne Williamson, daughter of General J. A. Williamson, and the first white child born in the new town, or from the actress who performed there on several occasions, Corinne La-Vaunt.

By February, 1870, Corinne had been incorporated. Within another year an all gentile "school," taught by Mr. A. B. Glockner, reported to have been Utah's first "free public education" system, was organized. In addition, being a non-Mormon community of size and promise, Corinne is claimed as the birthplace of Utah's American Liberal Party. The town asked to be made Utah's capital and later to be annexed to Idaho.

Corinne is distinctive in Utah, because it was settled rapidly by non-Mormons. Within two years three protestant and one Catholic church had been organized. The first church in this "City of the Un-Godly," probably was the Corinne Methodist Church; Reverend G. M. Pierce delivered his first sermon June 15, 1870, in the opera house, sought donations, and soon raised \$4,000 for construction of the church. It was dedicated September 20, 1870.

Corinne retained a prominence as the northern-most point of the transcontinental railroad. However, in time, Ogden became the junction for the Utah Northern Railroad, which replaced the lucrative freighting enterprise centered at Corinne. Later, when Lucin Cutoff crossed the Great Salt Lake south of Promontory, the traffic through Corinne was further reduced.

The town held on and at times has been revived somewhat by mining and irrigated farming booms. Today it is the center of a small farming community.

Corinne was unusual. It represents the first Gentile inroads into Utah. Here the protestants first undertook to "convert" the Mormons. The old church today remains as the only tangible reminder of that role and that era.

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