

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
 NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

FOR NPS USE ONLY

RECEIVED.

DATE ENTERED

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
 INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

 SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS
 TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS
1 NAME

HISTORIC

1815 ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH AND GRAVEYARD

AND/OR COMMON

*Zion Lutheran Church Parish House***2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

N.W. Corner of Rosanna Street

___ NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Hummelstown

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

17th

___ VICINITY OF

STATE

Pennsylvania

CODE

42

COUNTY

Dauphin

CODE

*043***3 CLASSIFICATION****CATEGORY**
 DISTRICT
 BUILDING(S)
 STRUCTURE
 SITE
 OBJECT
OWNERSHIP
 PUBLIC
 PRIVATE
 BOTH
PUBLIC ACQUISITION
 IN PROCESS
 BEING CONSIDERED
STATUS
 OCCUPIED
 UNOCCUPIED
 WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
 YES: RESTRICTED
 YES: UNRESTRICTED
 NO
PRESENT USE
 AGRICULTURE
 COMMERCIAL
 EDUCATIONAL
 ENTERTAINMENT
 GOVERNMENT
 INDUSTRIAL
 MILITARY
 MUSEUM
 PARK
 PRIVATE RESIDENCE
 RELIGIOUS
 SCIENTIFIC
 TRANSPORTATION
 OTHER
4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

STREET & NUMBER

Corner of Main & Rosanna Street

CITY, TOWN

Hummelstown

___ VICINITY OF

STATE

*Pennsylvania 17036***5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.*Dauphin County Courthouse*

STREET & NUMBER

Front and Market Street

CITY, TOWN

Harrisburg

STATE

*Pennsylvania***6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

Pennsylvania Inventory of Historic Places

DATE

*1973*___ FEDERAL STATE ___ COUNTY ___ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS*Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission*

CITY, TOWN

Harrisburg

STATE

Pennsylvania

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Zion Lutheran Church is a two and one half story limestone structure with large stone quoins. Its gable roof has boxed cornices and its frieze is decorated with dentils. This structure is the second church structure built by the Zion congregation. The present church, a large brownstone structure built in 1893, is located just east of this structure.

The second Zion Lutheran Church is a six bay by three structure with its front facade facing east. Originally smaller a two story twelve foot addition was made to the north gable end in 1855.

Fenestration is somewhat irregular on the four elevations though is basically six bays by three bays. First story windows are eight over eight double hung sash windows on the first story. All windows have stone lintels and slipsills. Second story windows are elongated with two sets of double sash windows. The lower windows are twelve over twelve while the upper are eight over eight. A circular, 6 light, window is located in the south gable end. Two, three light, fan windows are located in the north gable end.

Doorways are located in the third and sixth bays of the front (east) facade. Both doors are paired panel doors approached by wide stone stoops. The door in third bay is topped by a gable roofed hood supported by large brackets. The doorway in the sixth bay has a pedimented portico supported by six rounded columns, four of which are paired. Both the hood and portico were added at a later date.

During the period 1855 to 1911 the church has a frame bell tower and spire. This appears not to have been an original feature and is not present today.

A two story brick addition was made to the south gable end. This flat-roofed addition has brick dentils and six over six, double hung sash windows. A brick chimney from this addition abuts the south elevation of the church. An entranceway leads to this addition on the east facade.

A skylight is located in the gable ridge at the south end. An exhaust fan has been added to this opening in recent years.

The church is located in the northeast corner of the 1 acre lot and is surrounded on its south and west by the Hummel graveyard. A stone wall connected to the Northwest corner of the church circles the graveyard on three sides. Entrance to the graveyard is through an elaborate iron gate on the north of the lot.

The interior of the church has changed several times in its 163 year history but appears to have been little changed since circa 1850. Originally only a single story, a 10 foot wine glass pulpit was located along the north wall. A west gallery supported a pipe organ. In 1855 the interior was remodeled. The sanctuary was relocated on the south and galleries were added to the east and north walls.

PERIOD

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

1815

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Abstract: The significance of the 1815 stone church lies in its importance as a house of worship and it continued use by the Zion Lutheran Congregation and the Community of Hummelstown. Its simple architectural styling reflects the early period in which it was built.

The community of Hummelstown was laid out in 1762 on land owned by Frederick and Rosina Hummel. However six years earlier on June 24, 1756, Frederick Hummel had presented the Zion Lutheran congregation two lots for location of a church and graveyard. One shilling of the ten paid to Hummel for rent on his lots went to the church.

in 1766 the congregation built their first church. This log structure was located twenty to thirty feet west of the stone church. In 1804 the congregation secured a charter of incorporation and were then able to collect back rents on Hummelstown lots which had not been collected since 1788. With these funds the congregation began construction of a new church which was completed in 1815.

The 1815 church saw service as a house of worship from May 15, 1815 to January 22, 1893. The log church was used as a parochial school-house until it was accidentally burnt in December of 1817.

Church services were conducted in German until after 1854 when English was introduced by the Reverend George Haines. It was during Haines pastorate that the stone church saw its most alterations.

As the congregation grew in size the need for a larger church became evident. A large brownstone church was built just east of the limestone church by the congregation and dedicated on January 22, 1893.

The limestone church was then used as parish church school and community meeting house until circa 1960. In 1970 the 1815 church was leased to the Hummelstown Area Historical Society for use as a museum and meeting rooms.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

180th Anniversary Program, 1756-1936. The Messenger, Vol. 30 No. 9, June 28, 1936.

175th Anniversary Committee, Hummelstown, Pa. 1937. Hummelstown Bi-Centennial Committee, 1962.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 1

QUADRANGLE NAME _____ QUADRANGLE SCALE _____

UTM REFERENCES			QUADRANGLE SCALE		
ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
A 18	3 54 5,8,0	4 4 5,8 5,2,0	B 18	3 54 5,8,0	4 4 5,8 4,70
C 18	3 54 5,0,0	4 4 5,8 4,4,0	D 18	3 54 4,9,0	4 4 5,8 5,2,0
E			F		
G			H		

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Starting at a point on the SW corner of Rosanna St. and Long Ave. then west along south side of Rosanna St. to the SE corner of Rosanna St. and 2nd St., then south along the east side of 2nd st. to the NE corner of 2nd St. & alley, then east along the North side of alley to the NW corner of alley and Long Alley, then

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

North along west side of Long Alley to starting point.

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE
Susan M. Zacher

ORGANIZATION
PHMC / Hummelstown Area Historical Society

STREET & NUMBER
Box 1026

CITY OR TOWN
Harrisburg

DATE

TELEPHONE

STATE
Pennsylvania

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL STATE LOCAL

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

Ed Weindraub 6-21-78

TITLE *ED WEINTRAUB*
STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER

DATE

FOR NPS USE ONLY

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

ATTEST: **KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER**

DATE

CHIEF OF REGISTRATION

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

FOR NPS USE ONLY

RECEIVED

DATE ENTERED

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

1815 ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH, Dauphin County

CONTINUATION SHEET

ITEM NUMBER 7 PAGE 2

The 1893 brownstone church lies to the east of the 1815 Zion Lutheran Church being nominated here. This structure has been altered by addition of a two story education building to the south. It does not possess the architectural integrity or history as does the 1815 building.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

FOR NPS USE ONLY

RECEIVED

DATE ENTERED

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

1815 ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH, Dauphin County

CONTINUATION SHEET

ITEM NUMBER 8

PAGE 2

The 1815 Church is being nominated for its architecture and importance in the development and settlement of the community of Hummelstown. In a sense the town built the church through the rents paid on town lots. The congregation of Zion Lutheran Church played the same important part in the social service and religious history of the town, as do most functioning church congregations. In the history of the development of the Lutheran faith in America, the Zion congregation has contributed as much as any other Lutheran congregation, however, no significant doctrinal developments or changes were started in this congregation. The 1893 church was not nominated, not because it is a totally unworthy building but because the 1815 church is far superior architecturally. You will note in the form that the 1893 church was built because the congregation outgrew the 1815 building. Today there is a membership of over 1000 in Zion Church. The Zion congregation which built the log church and then the 1815 church was the first church and congregation in Hummelstown.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

FOR NPS USE ONLY

RECEIVED

DATE ENTERED

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

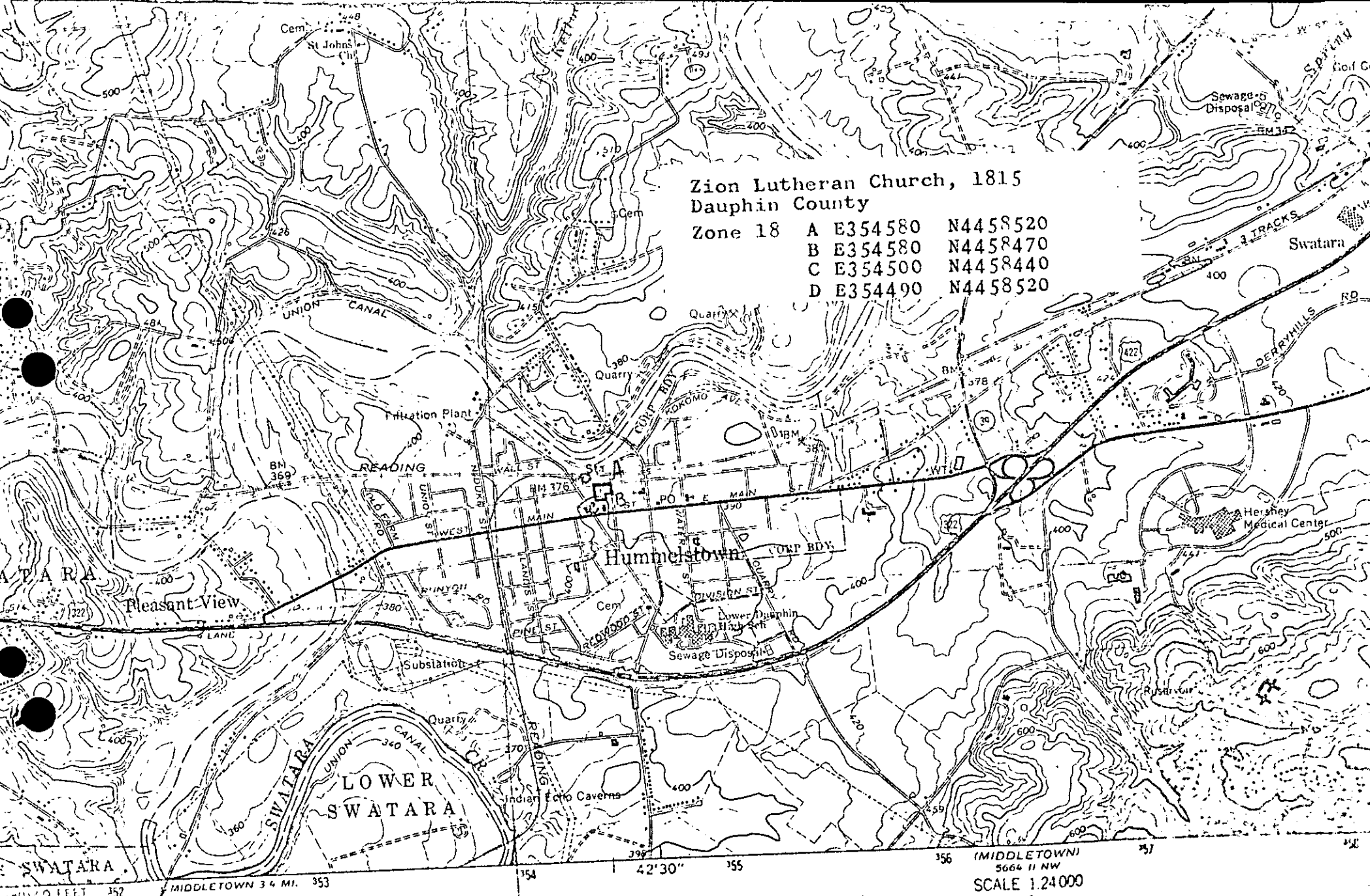
1815 ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH, Dauphin County

CONTINUATION SHEET

ITEM NUMBER 10 PAGE 1

Map Coverage:

The 1815 Church is within the boundaries of the cemetery, the wall of which are connected (as noted in original form). I have marked its location in red.

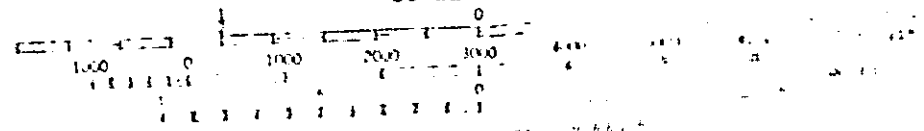


Zion Lutheran Church, 1815
Dauphin County

Zone 18	A	E354580	N4458520
	B	E354580	N4458470
	C	E354500	N4458440
	D	E354490	N4458520

...dited and published by the Geological Survey
...and USC&GS

...ometric methods from aerial
... the best 1969
... dated 1947



CONTOUR INTERVAL 20 FEET