

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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YOUR NAME: BUFFALO FRIENDS OF OLMSTED PARKS DATE: August 13, 1984
P. O. BOX 590

YOUR ADDRESS: BUFFALO, NEW YORK 14205 - 0590 TELEPHONE: _____

ORGANIZATION (if any): _____

IDENTIFICATION

- BUILDING NAME(S): _____
- COUNTY: Erie TOWN/CITY: Buffalo VILLAGE: _____
- STREET LOCATION: 34 Elam Pl
- OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private Prophesy
- PRESENT OWNER: Church of God of / ADDRESS: 34 Elam Place
- USE: Original: Church Present: Church
- ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes No
Interior accessible: Explain by permission

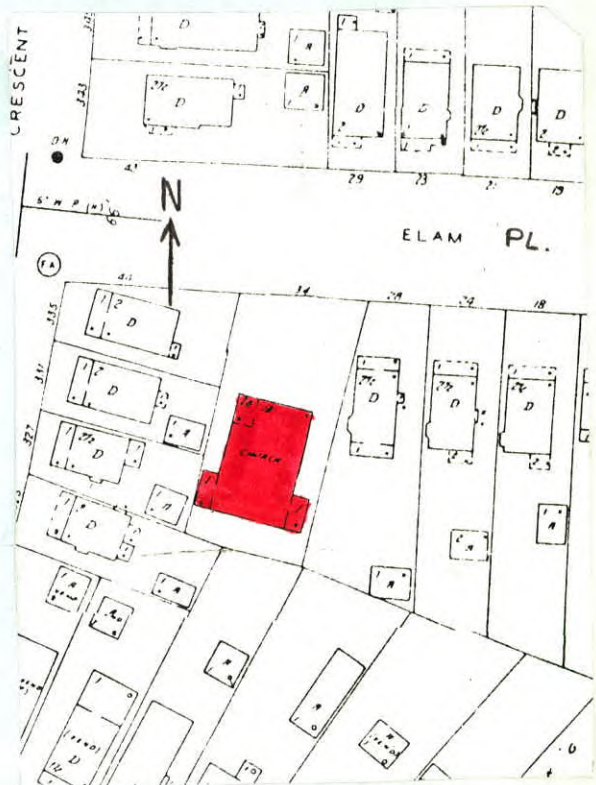
DESCRIPTION

- BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard b. stone c. brick d. board and batten
e. cobblestone f. shingles g. stucco other: asbestos shingles
- STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: (if known) a. wood frame with interlocking joints
b. wood frame with light members
c. masonry load bearing walls
d. metal (explain) _____
e. other _____
- CONDITION: a. excellent b. good c. fair d. deteriorated
- INTEGRITY: a. original site b. moved if so, when? _____
c. list major alterations and dates (if known):
Gabled projecting bay is an addition

12. PHOTO: 42-27a



13. MAP:



14. THREATS TO BUILDING: a. none known b. zoning c. roads
d. developers e. deterioration
f. other: _____
15. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS AND PROPERTY:
a. barn b. carriage house c. garage
d. privy e. shed f. greenhouse
g. shop h. gardens
i. landscape features: small tree and shrubs in front yard
j. other: _____
16. SURROUNDINGS OF THE BUILDING (check more than one if necessary):
a. open land b. woodland
c. scattered buildings
d. densely built-up e. commercial
f. industrial g. residential
h. other: _____

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:
(Indicate if building or structure is in an historic district)

Building is situated on a standard sized lot within Olmsted's Parkside subdivision. It is located four blocks from Delaware Park, which was designed by Olmsted and is listed on the National Register, and east of the Zoo.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):
One story Italian Renaissance style with two-story tower. Gable roof. Gabled projecting bay has pedimented gabled roof. Curved eave end. Double wood doors with single square light. Opaque lighted rectangular windows flank entrance. Pedimented gable building proper. Cornice decorated with attached pendant brackets.

SIGNIFICANCE First floor windows, single hung stained glass. Right

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: c. 1905 side has two-story square tower. First floor single-hung stained glass window. Second floor Palladian window. Cornice with attached pendant brackets.
ARCHITECT: _____
BUILDER: Parapet with paneled pedestals and panels decorated with asterisk motif.

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE: A fine example of an Italian Renaissance Revival style applied to a religious structure. Elam Place, a one-block street between Crescent Avenue and Greenfield Street just north of Jewett Parkway, is located on the lands of Elam R. Jewett and was named after him. It was deeded to the city by his widow in 1889. A similar street appears on Olmsted's 1870's maps of "The Parkside," although that street was angled to connect Greenfield with the intersection of Crescent and Jewett. Elam Place also follows Olmsted's rule that a subdivision street "not lead with special directness toward the town."

21. SOURCES: Buffalo City Atlas, 1894, updated 1909
Olmsted's Sketch Map of Buffalo, 1876
The Papers of Frederick Law Olmsted, Vol. III, by Charles E. Beveridge & David Schuyler, eds. (1983).
22. THEME: Italian Renaissance Revival