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National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form**

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1. Historic name: Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church
Common name: Petoskey Mennonite Church

2. Location: 810 Petoskey Street, Petoskey, Michigan

3. Classification:
 - a. building
 - b. private ownership
 - c. occupied
 - d. accessible, unrestricted
 - e. religious

4. Owner: Petoskey Mennonite Church
810 Petoskey Street
Petoskey, Michigan 49770

7. Description: (good condition; altered; original site)

The old Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church is a one-story frame Victorian church with a front-gable roof and rectangular tower set into the facade. The tower is topped by a tall, polygonal peaked cap. The wood-framed windows of the flank walls are rectangular, eight-paned units with corniced heads. There is a gabled entrance addition to the rear of the east flank wall.

8. Significance: (1800-1899; architecture; religion)

The old Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church is a characteristic example of Victorian church design in a particularly good state of preservation in Petoskey. It was erected 1892 for the Zion Evangelical Church congregation. Many decades later the congregation moved to a new church building on U.S. Highway 131.

Victorian designs predominated in both commercial and residential areas of Petoskey during the later nineteenth century. While, as with the old Evangelical Church, the basic consolidated block massing of an earlier era continued to inform the basic massing of the Victorian buildings, gables and porches make the silhouettes more varied, or, as was said at the

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time, "picturesque." Particular references to historic architecture dictated specific details--the bracketed cornices of the Italianate, and, as here, the pointed arches of the Gothic--and provided romantic associations with other times and values. A.J. Downing believed for example, that the Italianate mode would be most appealing to persons of urbane cultivation, while Gothic designs, eminently appropriate for churches, suggested the piety of the mediaval world as well as the pantheism of the natural world since the pointed arch was thought then to have originated as an imitation of the natural groves where western Europeans first were thought to have worshipped. The old Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, while fundamentally a Victorian design similar to Gothic Revival examples elsewhere in the city, also evidences the growing taste for classical design that accompanied a revival of interest in the American colonial heritage in the later years of the century. Thus, the windows here have corniced heads, despite their vertical proportions.

9. Bibliographical References: See Major Bibliographical References.

10. Geographical Data: The property occupies approximately 1/3 acre. Petoskey Quadrangle, Petoskey, Michigan, 1:125000. The boundaries of the property are those of Lot 10 Block 2, William M. Everett's Second Addition. Includes only the lot on which the building is located.

UTM Reference

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Petoskey MRA
State Emmet County, MICHIGAN

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

31. Petoskey Grocery Company
Building

Entered in the
National Register

for
Keeper

Delores Byers 9/10/86

Attest

32. Stout House

Entered in the
National Register

for
Keeper

Delores Byers 9/10/86

Attest

33. Trinity Evangelical Church

Entered in the
National Register

for
Keeper

Delores Byers 9/10/86

Attest

34. VanZolenburg, Jacob, House

Entered in the
National Register

for
Keeper

Delores Byers 9/10/86

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35. Wells, J.M., House

Entered in the
National Register

for
Keeper

Delores Byers 9/10/86

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36. West Mitchell Street
Bridge

Entered in the
National Register

for
Keeper

Delores Byers 9/10/86

Attest

37. Zion Evangelical Lutheran
Church

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National Register

for
Keeper

Delores Byers 9/10/86

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church (Petoskey
MRA)
Emmet County
MICHIGAN

Working No. JUL 31 1986
Fed. Reg. Date: 2/3/87
Date Due: 8/28/86 - 9/14/86
Action: ACCEPT 9-10-86
 RETURN
 REJECT
Federal Agency: _____

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- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____
Reviewer _____
Discipline _____
Date _____
_____ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: _____ technical corrections cited below
_____ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? yes no

7. Description

Condition <input type="checkbox"/> excellent <input type="checkbox"/> good <input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/> ruins <input type="checkbox"/> unexposed	Check one <input type="checkbox"/> unaltered <input type="checkbox"/> altered	Check one <input type="checkbox"/> original site <input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
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Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

8. Significance

Period _____ Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates _____ Builder/Architect _____

Statement of Significance (*in one paragraph*)

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- applicable criteria
- justification of areas checked
- relating significance to the resource
- context
- relationship of integrity to significance
- justification of exception
- other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification _____

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

_____ national _____ state _____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title _____ date _____

13. Other

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____

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PHOTO: ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH



Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church
810 Petoskey Street; (Petoskey Mennonite Ch.)
Petoskey, Emmet Co., MI
Wortman, June 1985
neg. on file at Michigan Hist. Div.
"views from SE"

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SE
from
Mennonite

Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

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