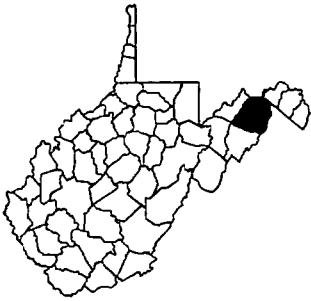


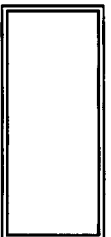


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WEST VIRGINIA HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY FORM

Street Address 49 North High Street	Common/Historic Name/Both ☐ ☐ ☐ Romney First United Methodist Church (Both)	Field Survey # 43	Site # (SHPO Only) HM-0500
Town or Community Romney	County Hampshire County	Negative No. 4A	NR Listed Date
Architect/Builder	Date of Construction 1904 (School Addition 1928)	Style Gothic Revival and Colonial Revival	
Exterior Siding/Materials Brick	Roofing Material Asphalt Shingles	Foundation	
Property Use or Function Residence ☐ Commercial ☐ Other +	UTM #	Photograph (2" x 3" Contact)	
Survey Organization & Date Archer, Inc. Field Survey October 2006 and February 2007	Quadrangle Name Romney		
	Part of What Survey/FR# FR-5-233-HM-1		

Sketch Map of Property
or Attach Copy of USGS Map



Site No.

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Present Owners

Owners Mailing Address

Phone #

Describe Setting

_____ Acres

_____ Archaeological
Artifacts Present

Description of Buildings or Site (Original and Present)

_____ 2 1/2 _____ Stories _____ 3 _____ Front Bays

This asymmetrical, gable-front-and-wing, brick church displays stylistic elements reminiscent of both the Gothic Revival and Colonial Revival style. The buttressing, asymmetry, steeply pitched roof and dominant stained-glass windows related to the former style, while the brick construction, paneled doors, and rounded, 6/6 windows reference the later idiom. A large, 2 1/2 story, Colonial Revival style education building extends from the north side of the church. Entry into the educational building is either through the church or the double doors located on the facade fronting Rosemary Lane.

The church's principle entrances is through a nicely crafted, arched opening, fitted with a pair of wooden, paneled doors. These are situated in the squat, square, bell tower that is located at the right angle formed by the intersection of the building's two principle blocks. The tower's steeple has a pyramidal roof and slightly kicked eaves. The roof of both the church and educational building are covered with modern asphalt shingle. The cornice is plain and the eaves overhang slightly.

The projecting front gable wall is dominated by a tall arched opening fitted with a pair of round-headed stained-glass windows and a round, stained-glass oculus window.

(Use Continuation Sheets)

Alterations ☐ ☒ If yes, describe:

Yes No

Additions ☐ ☒ If yes, describe:

Yes No

Describe All Outbuildings

(Use Continuation Sheets)

Statement of Significance

Contributing

(Use Continuation Sheets)

Bibliographical References

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WEST VIRGINIA HISTORIC PROPERTY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

NAME Romney Commercial Historic District

SITE# HM-0175

43. Romney First United Methodist Church

(built 1904; School addition 1928)

49 North High Street

Deed Reference 338/561

Negative # 4A

Contributing: Field Survey 43



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The projecting front gable wall is dominated by a tall arched opening fitted with a pair of round-headed stained-glass windows and a round, stained-glass oculus window. While this is not a commercial building, the Romney First Methodist Church is historic and an important component of the downtown streetscape. It is, therefore, considered a contributing resource.