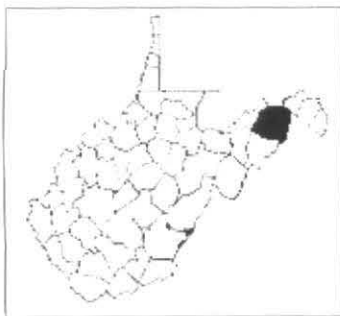




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WEST VIRGINIA HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY FORM

Street Address W side Jersey Mountain Road, Three Churches	Common/Historic Property Name/ Both Branch Mountain United Methodist	Field Survey # Central Hampshire County Survey No. 244	Site # (SHPO Only) <i>HM-1046</i>
Town or Community Three Churches	County Hampshire	Image No. 3717	NR Listed Date n/a
Architect/Builder Unidentified	Date of Construction 1898 (cornerstone)	Style Gothic Revival	
Exterior Siding/Materials Vinyl over weatherboard	Roofing Material Standing-Seam Metal	Foundation Stone	
Property Use or Function Other/Religious Use	UTM # 17/4363351/701887		
Survey Organization and Date Taylor and Taylor Associates, for the Hampshire County Historic Landmarks Commission, 2008-2009	Quadrangle Name Springfield, WV Part of What Survey/FR# Central Hampshire County Historic Resource Survey		

Sketch Map of Property
or Attach Copy of USGS Map See Survey Report

Property Owners	Owner's Mailing Address
Phone #	
Describe Setting	
This church is located in central Hampshire County, in the rural, unincorporated village of Three Churches, which derives its name from this church and two others located nearby.	
Acres none Archaeological Artifacts Present	
Description of Buildings or Site (Original and Present)	
_____ 1 Stories _____ 2 Front Bays	
2-story Gothic-Revival vernacular church of wood construction with an intersecting gable roof and a corner entry tower on the southeast corner of the façade which terminates in a belfry with a steeply pitched pyramidal roof capped with a pinnacle. through which is a doorway with double doors capped with a lancet-arched transom. Other fenestration is flat-topped, with pointed-arched window heads, and in the pediment of the gable on the façade is a small wheel window with delicate tracery.	
(Use Continuation Sheets)	
Alterations ☒ Yes ☐ No	If yes, describe Non-historic siding installed at indeterminate time
Additions ☐ Yes ☒ No	If yes, describe
Describe all Outbuildings	
None; immediately adjacent to the church is an associated cemetery (Survey Site 245).	
(Use Continuation Sheets)	
Statement of Significance:	
This is the Branch Mountain Methodist Church, one of the three churches in the settlement known as "Three Churches." The cornerstone notes that it was laid by the Masonic fraternity in 1898 under the oversight of D.W. Endler, Grand Master. It has been altered and does not appear to meet National Register Criteria for Evaluation.	
(Use Continuation Sheets)	
Bibliographical References	
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Form Prepared By: _____ Date: July 2009	
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