

Cultural Resource Survey Form:

CLACKAMAS COUNTY

T. D. NUMBER _____

PHOTO INFORMATION:

ROLL: LVIII
FRAME: 8

STUDY AREA: YODER/MARQUAM
LEGAL: T. 6 R. 1E SEC. 4DD
TAX (LOTS): 1400
ZONE _____ SIZE 1.90

IDENTIFICATION:

COMMON/HISTORICAL NAME: MARQUAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
ADDRESS: 36971 S. Highway 213, Mt. Angel AREA: MARQUAM
CURRENT OWNER: c/o Ray Webb USE: Church
OWNER'S ADDRESS: P.O. Box 185, Marquam 97362
ORIGINAL OWNER: _____ USE: _____
AREA OF SIGNIFICANCE: TOWN: _____ COUNTY: X CITY: _____ NATION: _____

HISTORIC INTEREST:

THEME: Religion DATE: 1890
DESCRIPTION: _____

ARCHITECTURAL INTEREST:

STYLE: Vernacular STORIES: 2
DATE: 1890 CONDITION: Good ARCHITECT: _____
SIDING: Resided with aluminum
ROOF: Gable with bell tower
DOORS: Paneled
WINDOWS: Altered

MAIN ENTRANCE: Vestibule on facade has double doors, originals removed.

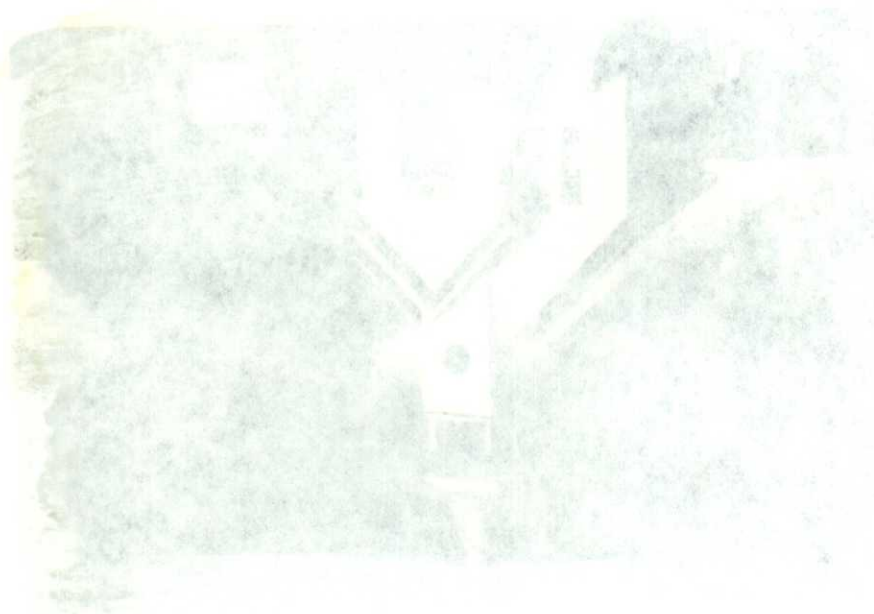
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DATE: May 1984
RECORDER: Borge/Pinger
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HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY 1989-92

HISTORIC NAME: MARQUAM METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
COMMON NAME:
PROPERTY ADDRESS: 36971 S. Highway 213, Mt. Angel OR 97362
OWNER: Marquam Methodist Church
OWNER ADDRESS: 36975 S. Highway 213, Mt. Angel OR 97362
RESOURCE TYPE: Buildings
PRESENT USE: Church
ORIGINAL USE: Church
THEME: Culture: architecture and religion
ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Unknown
COUNTY: Clackamas
QUAD: Scotts Mills
T/R/S: 6 1E 4DD
TAX LOT: 1400
ADDITION: N/A
BLOCK: N/A
LOT: N/A
LOT SIZE: 1.90 Acres
ZONE: RRF-5

SETTING: The Marquam Methodist Church is located on the north side of Highway 213, a relatively quiet two-lane state highway. The church is close to the road. The site is level with non-historic buildings in addition to the Church. Across the road south is an early 20th Century dwelling (see SHPO #756). On the east there is an early 20th century dwelling (see SHPO #750). On the west there is an open field and a 20th century dwelling beyond. On the north there is an altered early 20th century dwelling. The area is predominantly in rural residential use.

NOTEWORTHY LANDSCAPE FEATURES: Mature deciduous trees; mature coniferous trees

NON-CONTRIBUTING FEATURES: Non-historic parsonage; non-historic hall

RECORDED BY: Koler/Morrison
DATE: February 1992



CHURCH

DATE BUILT: 1890
STYLE: Vernacular
PLAN/TYPE/SHAPE: Asymmetrical
NO. OF STORIES: 2
FOUNDATION MATERIAL: Concrete
BASEMENT: Yes
ROOF FORM AND MATERIALS: Gable w/composition shingles
WALL CONSTRUCTION/STRUCTURAL FRAME: Wood/unknown
PRIMARY WINDOW TYPE: Fixed stained glass windows; Bull's-eye w/
divided lights
EXTERIOR SURFACING MATERIALS: Aluminum siding
DECORATIVE FEATURES: Fixed stained glass w/ Bull's-eye with
divided lights
OTHER: Porch w/ shed roof, e. elev.; paneled door; gable roof
vestibule, s. elev.; concrete steps w/ wrought-iron balustrade;
belfry w/ tent roof steeple
CONDITION: Good
EXTERIOR ALTERATIONS (DATE): Windows replaced (n.d.); partially
resided w/ aluminum siding (n.d.); original doors in vestibule
replaced (n.d.); wheelchair ramp to breezeway added (n.d.); shed
roof porch added (n.d.); ell added (n.d.); moved back on lot
(1964)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Address: 36971 S. Highway 213

Historic Name: **MARQUAM METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

The Marquam Methodist Church is located at Marquam along Highway 213, a heavily travelled, early 20th century road. The subject property is located within the Robert Allen donation land claim. The resource may be evaluated as an example of a late 19th century church, and as component of historic Marquam.

HISTORIC BACKGROUND

SUBJECT PROPERTY

OWNERSHIP

The subject church has been moved on its lot. A full history of the church, written by Norma Olsen will be added to the inventory form upon its receipt.

HISTORICAL INFORMATION

The first Methodist church within the current boundaries of Clackamas County was the mission at the Falls in Oregon City. The mission was established in 1840 by Alvin F. Aller and William H. Willson. The church they built was the first Protestant church west of the Rocky Mountains. The Rock Creek Methodist Church (see SHPO #718) is also in the study area. It is the oldest church in the county, according to Free Land for Free Men.

ARCHITECTURAL/PHYSICAL INFORMATION

Built in 1890 according to the church history, the Marquam Methodist church is a good example of a Vernacular style church. Characteristic features include the narrow, rectangular volumes, arranged at right angles and covered with gable roofs. Other elements common to the type are the horizontal wood siding, finished with corner and rake boards, and long double-hung sash windows.

Typically, buildings of this type were modest and without much ornamentation, although churches generally had more decoration, due to the status as symbols for the community and for its devotion. The subject building's decorative features include several stained glass windows and a bull's-eye window with divided lights. The belfry and tent roof steeple are also noteworthy.

The subject building has been altered since construction. Alterations include the replacement of much of the original tongue-and-groove siding with aluminum lap siding, the replacement of the original vestibule doors and the addition of a

The church shares the site with a small shed, parsonage and hall, all of which post-date the historic period and do not contribute to the historic character of the subject property.

SIGNIFICANCE

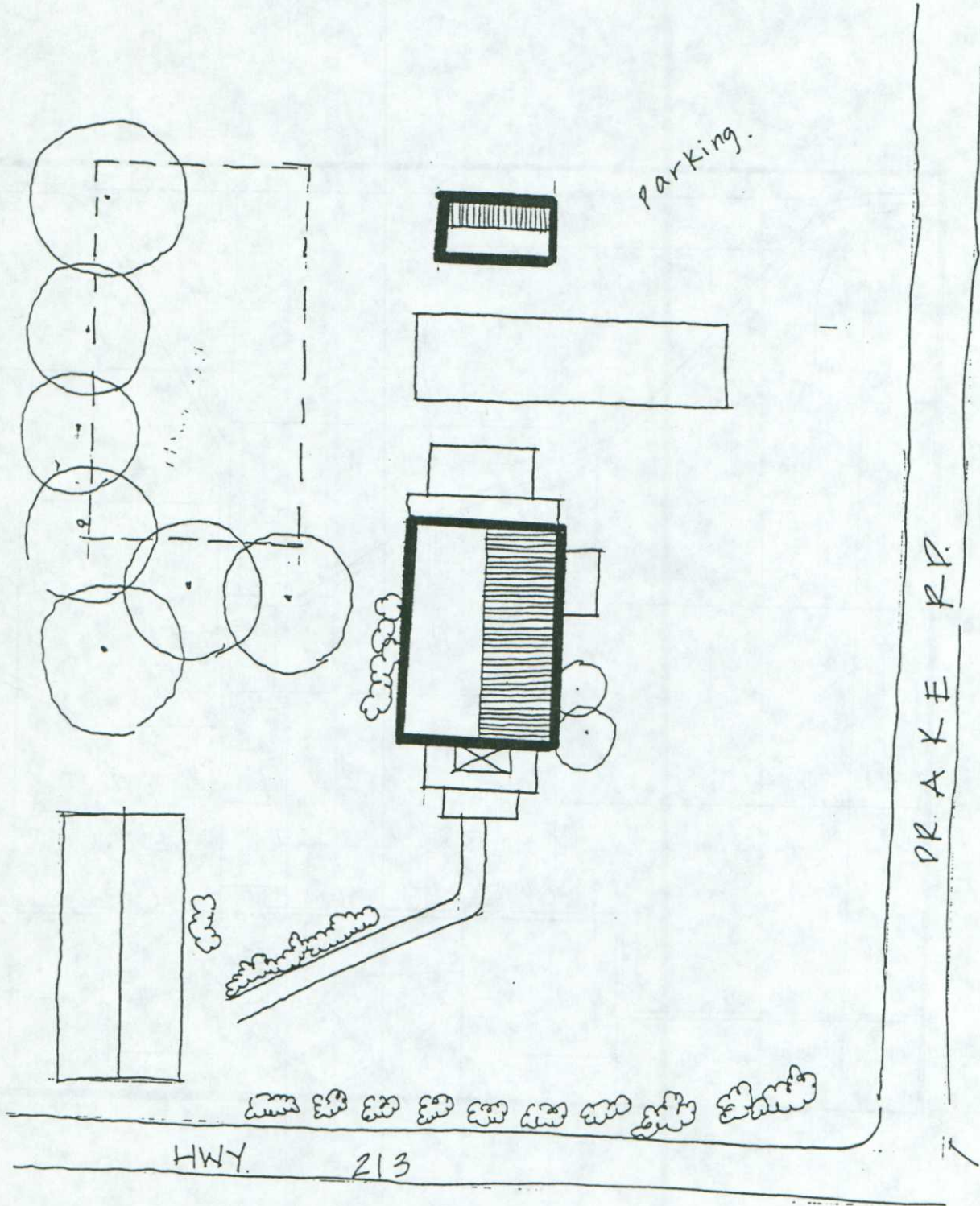
The Marquam Methodist Episcopal Church is significant as a longtime focal point for the Marquam community. The church one of five churches listed on the Clackamas County Cultural Resource Inventory for the Yoder/Marquam South County study area. The subject church is one of three Vernacular style churches, dating from the Progressive Era (1884-1913), in the study area on the inventory. The property is additionally significant for its contribution to the historic Marquam streetscape.

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SITE PLAN

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VICINITY MAP

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