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Broome County Church Architecture Collection

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The Broome County Church Architecture Collection consists of 133 ecclesiastical surveys done on 115 Broome County and 3 other churches, missions, synagogues, and temples, along with several letters, essays, church bulletins, journals, and other items. Seventy surveys of sixty-one different structures were done in the city of Binghamton, NY. Nine of the structures were surveyed twice. Sixty surveys were done in other parts of Broome County on fifty-four structures, six were surveyed twice. In addition to the Broome County Ecclesiastical surveys one was done on the First Presbyterian Union Church in Owego, Tioga County, NY. Two surveys were also done on churches outside of New York State. King's Chapel and Trinity Episcopal Church were both surveyed in Boston, MA.

The surveys were done between January 1953 and May 1955 as part of an Art History class, ART 1, taught by Dr. Kenneth Lindsay at Harpur College, Endicott, NY. Dr. Lindsay undertook this project because the many churches of this region provided the students in the art history program with an opportunity to research the ecclesiastic architecture and symbolism as it related to a churches' denomination/belief. The project also provided an insight into the trends of architectural styles utilized by the churches throughout the region.

The surveys describe the location, exterior, interior, furnishings, and art work of the building in question. In addition there is often commentary on the symbolism, and occasionally a critique of the aesthetics, of the architecture and/or art. Most of the surveys include photographs or slides. Many of the surveys are typewritten, though some are handwritten.

The items in this collection are arranged first by location: the Broome County surveys coming first, alphabetically by town, followed by the one Tioga County survey and then the two Boston, Massachusetts surveys. Within a given location the surveys are arranged alphabetically by church name, and chronologically thereunder. Most of the non-survey materials are housed in Box 1, Folders 1-4, however, where non-survey material was clearly associated with a particular survey it is housed with that survey. Boxes 1-3 contains surveys of Binghamton churches and boxes 4-6 contain surveys for churches in the following Broome municipalities:

Box 4 - Chenango Bridge, Town of Chenango, Conklin, Endicott and Endwell.

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Box 5 - Johnson City, Kirkwood, Maine, Oakdale, Prot Crane, Port Dickinson, Ross Corners, Sanataria Springs, Twin Orchards, Union and Vestal.

Box 6 - Vestal, West Corners, Westover, Windsor, and Owego (Tioga County) and Boston, Massachusetts

Documents within this collection containing the names of the students have been copied to remove any personal identification of the student as required by Federal Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). In addition, pages from several student papers have been copied and replace the original due to the brittleness of the material.

Bibliography

Lindsay, Kenneth C. (1954). Survey of Ecclesiastic Architecture in Broome County, *Broome County Historical Society Bulletin*, 2, 7-8.

Box and Folder Listing

Box 1

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|-----------------|--|
| Folder 1 | Erma Shepherd Griffith to Kenneth Lindsay, 13Apr1954 [letter]
Kenneth Lindsay to Erma Shepherd Griffith, 21Apr1954 [letter] |
| Folder 2 | “Worksheet for Ecclesiastic Survey” [no date] [form] 2 copies
“Survey of Ecclesiastic Architecture in Broome County” Harpur Colleg
Art History Dept. [no date] [essay]
“Old Lists” [no date] [list] |
| Folder 3 | “Cathedral Age” v.8:no.1 (1933:Easter) [journal]
“Cathedral Age” v.17:no.1 (1942:Spring) [journal]
“Orthodox Life” no.3 (1950:May/June) [journal] |
| Folder 4 | “Catholic Religious History: Binghamton, N.Y.” 1988 [essay] |
| Folder 5 | Binghamton, NY
“Centenary Methodist Episcopal Church” 11May1954 [survey] |
| Folder 6 | Binghamton, NY
“Central Baptist Church” 16May1955 [survey] |

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Box 1

- Folder 7** Binghamton, NY
"Chenango Street Methodist Church" May 1954 [survey]
- Folder 8** Binghamton, NY
"Chiesa Cristiana Apostolica Italiana" Feb 1954 [survey]
- Folder 9** Binghamton, NY
"Christ Church" 04 Jan 1954 [survey]
"Christ Church" 10 May 1955 [survey]
- Folder 10** Binghamton, NY
"Church of God and Saints in Christ" Donald E. Quinn [survey]
- Folder 11** Binghamton, NY
"Church of St. Catherine" 04 Jan 1954 [survey] (see also Oversize Material)
- Folder 12** Binghamton, NY
"Church of the Good Shepherd" Sep 1954 [survey]
"Church of the Good Shepherd" [Sep 1954] [survey]
- Folder 13** Binghamton, NY
"City Rescue Mission" [no date] [survey]
- Folder 14** Binghamton, NY
"Conklin Avenue Baptist Church" [no date] [survey]
"Conklin Avenue Baptist News" v.4:no.12 (1958:Jun.06) [newsletter]
Frank T. Hoadley to Dr. K. C. Lindsay, 06 Jun 1958 [letter]
"Worksheet for Ecclesiastic Survey" [no date] [form]
"Survey of Ecclesiastic Architecture in Broome County" Harpur College
Art History Dept. [no date] [essay] 2 copies
- Folder 15** Binghamton, NY
"East Side Congregational Church" Jan 1955 [survey]
- Folder 16** Binghamton, NY
"Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Redeemer" 10 Jan 1955 [survey]
- Folder 17** Binghamton, NY
"Evangelical United Brethren Church" May 1954 [survey]

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Box 1

- Folder 18** Binghamton, NY
"Fairview Methodist Church" 12 May 1954 [survey]
- Folder 19** Binghamton, NY
"Faith Baptist Church" [no date] [survey]
- Folder 20** Binghamton, NY
"Faith Tabernacle Church" 20 Jan1955 [survey] (See also Oversized Material)
- Folder 21** Binghamton, NY
"First Baptist Church" Nov 1954 [survey]
"First Baptist Church" May 1955 [survey]

Box 2

- Folder 1** Binghamton, NY
"First Christian Church" 16 Jan 1955 [survey]
"First Christian Church" May 1955 [survey]
- Folder 2** Binghamton, NY
"First Church of Christ, Scientist" 01 Jan 1954 [survey]
- Folder 3** Binghamton, NY
"First Church of the Nazarene" Sep 1954 [survey]
- Folder 4** Binghamton, NY
"First Congregational Church" 07 Dec 1953 [survey]
- Folder 5** Binghamton, NY
"First National Spiritualist Church" Feb1954 [survey]
- Folder 6** Binghamton, NY
"First Presbyterian Church" 12 May1954 [survey]
- Folder 7** Binghamton, NY
"First Universalist Church" Dec 1953 [survey]
- Folder 8** Binghamton, NY
"Free Methodist Church" 16 May 1955 [survey]

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Box 2

- Folder 9** Binghamton, NY
"Gospel Mission" [no date] [survey]
- Folder 10** Binghamton, NY
"Grace Baptist Church" 10 Jan 1954 [survey]
- Folder 11** Binghamton, NY
"Hebrew Brothers Congregational Synagogue" 07 Dec 1953 [survey]
"Hebrew Brothers Congregational Synagogue" [no date] [survey]
- Folder 12** Binghamton, NY
"High Street Methodist Church" 30 Nov 1953 [survey]
- Folder 13** Binghamton, NY
"Holy Spirit Church" W. L. Dec 1953 [survey]
- Folder 14** Binghamton, NY
"Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church" 12 May 1954 [survey]
- Folder 15** Binghamton, NY
"John Hus Presbyterian Church" Sep 1954 [survey]
- Folder 16** Binghamton, NY
"Immanuel Presbyterian Church" 10 Jan 1954 [survey]
- Folder 17** Binghamton, NY
"Lourde's Hospital Chapel" 10 Jan 1955 [survey]
- Folder 18** Binghamton, NY
"Main Street Baptist Church" Feb 1954 [survey]
- Folder 19** Binghamton, NY
"Nimmonsburg Methodist Church" [no date] [survey]
- Folder 20** Binghamton, NY
"North Presbyterian Church" [no date] [survey]
- Folder 21** Binghamton, NY
"Oak Street Methodist Episcopal Church" 10 Jan 1955 [survey]

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Box 2

- Folder 22** Binghamton, NY
"Ogden-Hillcrest Methodist Church" 12 May 1954 [survey]
- Folder 23** Binghamton, NY
"Park Terrace Heights Chapel" [no date] [survey]
- Folder 24** Binghamton, NY
"Pilgrim Holiness Church" 1955 [survey]
- Folder 25** Binghamton, NY
"Plymouth Methodist Church" Feb 1954 [survey]
- Folder 26** Binghamton, NY
"Prince of Peace Lutheran Church" 06 Jan 1954 [survey]

Box 3

- Folder 1** Binghamton, NY
"Ross Memorial Presbyterian Church" 16 Apr 1955 [survey]
- Folder 2** Binghamton, NY
"St. Ann's Roman Catholic Church" 04 Jan 1954 [survey]
"Critique of a Survey of St. Ann's Roman Catholic Church" [no date]
[essay]
- Folder 3** Binghamton, NY
"St. John the Evangelist Sep 1953 [survey]
- Folder 4** Binghamton, NY
"St. Joseph's Church" 14 May 1954 [survey]
"St. Mary's of the Assumption (R. Catholic)" 04 Jan 1954 [survey]
- Folder 5** Binghamton, NY
"St. Mary's of the Assumption (Roman Catholic)" 10 May 1955 [survey]
- Folder 6** Binghamton, NY
"Saint Mary's Roman Catholic Church" 18 Nov 1953 [survey]
- Folder 7** Binghamton, NY
"St. Patrick's Church" Sep 1953 [survey]

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Box 3

- Folder 8** Binghamton, NY
“St. Paul's Church” 28 May 1953 [survey]
- Folder 9** Binghamton, NY
“Saint Thomas Aquinas Parish” 17 May 1954 [survey]
- Folder 10** Binghamton, NY
“SS Cyril and Methodius Roman Catholic Church” May 1954 [survey]
“SS Cyril and Method Roman Catholic Church” Jan 1955 [survey]
- Folder 11** Binghamton, NY
“Seventh-Day Adventist Church” Feb 1954 [survey]
- Folder 12** Binghamton, NY
“Slavic Evangelical Baptist Church” [no date] [survey]
- Folder 13** Binghamton, NY
“[Ascension] Slovak Evangelical Church” 04 Jan 1953 [survey]
“Critique of a Survey of Ascension Lutheran Church” [no date] [essay]
- Folder 14** Binghamton, NY
“Synagogue of the Congregation of the Sons of Israel” Sep 1953 [survey]
- Folder 15** Binghamton, NY
“Tabernacle Methodist Church” Sep 1954 [survey]
- Folder 16** Binghamton, NY
“Temple Concord” Sep 1954 [survey]
- Folder 17** Binghamton, NY
“Trinity Memorial Church” 04Jan1954 [survey]
- Folder 18** Binghamton, NY
“West Presbyterian Church” 07Dec1953 [survey]

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Box 4

- Folder 1** Chenango Bridge, NY
"Chenango Bridge Methodist Church" Feb 1954 [survey]
- Folder 2** Chenango (Town), NY
"St. Christopher's Roman Catholic Church" Sep 1954 [survey]
"St. Christopher's Roman Catholic Church" 10 May 1955 [survey]
- Folder 3** Conklin, NY
"First Presbyterian Church" [1955] [survey]
- Folder 4** Conklin, NY
"Little White Church" 23 Nov 1953 [survey]
- Folder 5** Deposit, NY
"St. Joseph's Catholic Church" Dec 1953 [survey]
- Folder 6** Endicott, NY
"Bonner Memorial Presbyterian Church" Sep 1954 [survey]
- Folder 7** Endicott, NY
"Central Baptist Church" 16 May 1955 [survey]
- Folder 8** Endicott, NY
"Christian and Missionary Alliance Church" May 1955 [survey]
- Folder 9** Endicott, NY
"Congregational Church of Greater Endicott" Jan 1954 [survey]
- Folder 10** Endicott, NY
"Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Holy Nativity" 20 Nov 1953 [survey]
- Folder 11** Endicott, NY
"First Baptist Church" Sep 1954 [survey]
- Folder 12** Endicott, NY
"First Church of Christ" Sep 1954 [survey]
- Folder 13** Endicott, NY
"First Methodist Church" Sep 1954 [survey]

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Box 4

- Folder 14** Endicott, NY
“Free Methodist Church” 12 Jan 1954 [survey]
- Folder 15** Endicott, NY
“Greek Orthodox Church Evangelismos Tis Theotokov” Sep 1954 [survey]
“Greek Orthodox Church” 1954 [survey]
- Folder 16** Endicott, NY
“Saint Peter and Saint Paul Greek Catholic Church” Jan 1954 [survey]
[“SS Peter and Paul Greek Catholic Church”] [May 1954] [survey]
- Folder 17** Endicott, NY
“Saint Peter and Saint Paul Russian Orthodox Church” 16 Nov 1953
[survey]
- Folder 18** Endicott, NY
“Temple Beth-El” Jan 1954 [survey]
- Folder 19** Endicott, NY
“West Endicott Baptist Church” 12 May 1954 [survey]
- Folder 20** Endwell, NY
“Berean Baptist Church” 08 May 1954 [survey]
- Folder 21** Endwell, NY
“Church of Christ the King” Sep 1954 [survey]
- Folder 22** Endwell, NY
“Kingdom Hall” Dec 1953 [survey]

Box 5

- Folder 1** Johnson City, NY
“All Saints' Episcopal Church” Sep 1954 [survey]
- Folder 2** Johnson City, NY
“All Saints Polish National Church” Feb 1954 [survey]
- Folder 3** Johnson City, NY
“Christian and Missionary Alliance Church” 10 May 1954 [survey]

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Box 5

- Folder 4** Johnson City, NY
“Fairmont Park Baptist Church” Feb 1954 [survey]
- Folder 5** Johnson City, NY
“First Baptist Church” 21 May 1953 [survey]
- Folder 6** Johnson City, NY
“Full Gospel Mission” [no date] [survey]
- Folder 7** Johnson City, NY
“Primitive Methodist Church” Feb. 1954 [survey]
- Folder 8** Johnson City, NY
“Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints” [no date]
[survey]
- Folder 9** Johnson City, NY
“Saint James Roman Catholic Church” Sep 1954 [survey]
- Folder 10** Johnson City, NY
“Saint Paul's Luthern Church” May 1954 [survey]
- Folder 11** Johnson City, NY
“Sarah Jane Johnson Memorial Methodist Church” 04 Jan 1954 [survey]
“Sarah Jane Johnson Church” [Sep 1954] [survey]
- Folder 12** Kirkwood, NY
“Langdon Christian Church” 10 Jan 1955 [survey]
- Folder 13** Kirkwood, NY
“St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church” May 1954 [survey]
- Folder 14** Maine, NY
“Union Center Methodist Church” 16 May 1955 [survey]
- Folder 15** Oakdale, NY
“Pilgrim Holiness Church” Feb 1954 [survey]
- Folder 16** Port Crane, NY
“Port Crane Methodist Church” 12 May 1954 [survey]

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Box 5

- Folder 17** Port Dickinson, NY
"Community Baptist Church" 06 Jan 1954 [survey]
- Folder 18** Ross Corners, NY
"Ross Corners Baptist Church" [no date] [survey] (See also Oversize Material)
"Constitution" Ross Corners Baptist Church [no date] [booklet]
- Folder 19** Sanitaria Springs, NY
"Saint Joseph's Catholic Church" 16 May 1955 [survey]
- Folder 20** Twin Orchards, NY
"Twin Orchards Community Church" [no date] [survey]

Box 6

- Folder 1** Union (Endicott), NY
"Union Baptist Church" 29 May 1953 [survey]
- Folder 2** Union (Endicott), NY
"Union Presbyterian Church" 17 May 1954 [survey]
- Folder 3** Union Center, NY
"Union Center Congregational Church" 04 Jan 1954 [survey]
- Folder 4** Vestal, NY
"Calvary Tabernacle Baptist Church" 12 May 1954 [survey]
- Folder 5** Vestal, NY
"Grace Lutheran Ch." 12 May 1954 [survey]
- Folder 6** Vestal, NY
"Memorial Park Baptist Church" Feb 1954 [survey]
- Folder 7** Vestal, NY
"Our Lady of Sorrows Roman Catholic Church" May 1954 [survey]
- Folder 8** Vestal, NY
"Vestal Methodist Church" Feb 1954 [survey]

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Box 6

- Folder 9** Vestal Center, NY
“Vestal Center Methodist Church” May 1953 [survey]
“Vestal Center Methodist Church” 04 Jan 1954 [survey]
- Folder 10** West Corners, NY
“West Corners Baptist Church” May 1953 [survey]
“West Corners Baptist Church” Feb 1954 [survey]
- Folder 11** Westover, NY
“Westover Methodist Church” 04 Jan 1954 [survey]
- Folder 12** Windsor, NY
“Windsor Presbyterian Church” May 1954 [survey]
- Folder 13** Owego, NY
“First Presbyterian Union Church” May 1955 [survey]
- Folder 14** Boston, MA
“King's Chapel” Apr 1955 [survey]
- Folder 15** Boston, MA
“Trinity Episcopal Church” [no date] [survey]
“A Description of Trinity Church” [no date] [booklet]

Oversize Materials

Map Case

Church of St. Catherine, Hillcrest, NY (Removed from Box 1, Folder 11)
First Floor and Basement Floor Plan
Front Elevation
Rear Elevation
Side Elevation
Plot Plan
Section Plan
Detailed Sheet
Steel Framing and Roof Plans

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Map Case

Faith Tabernacle Church, Binghamton, NY (Removed from Box 1, Folder 20)

Preliminary Study No. 6 Floor Plan removed

Ross Corners Baptist Church, Ross Corners, NY (Removed from Box 5, Folder 18)

Map #1

Map #2

Map #3

Map #4