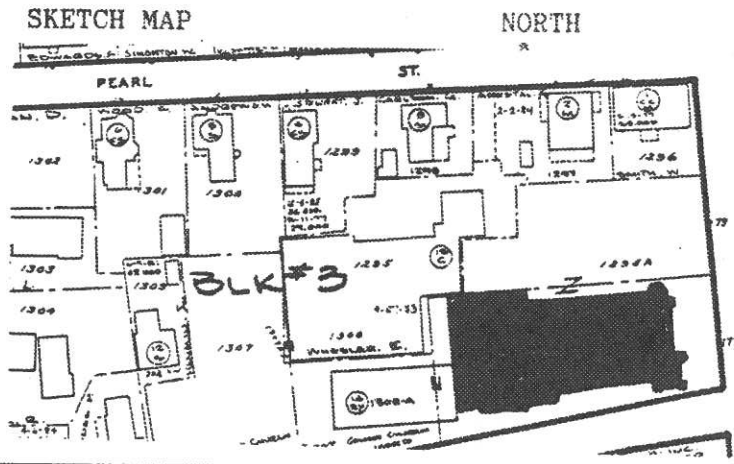


address 177 NORTH MAIN STREET  
 property name FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
 tax map/parcel no. 55-3-16  
 UTM ref Z19 EOZ- N47-  
 resource type (code) CHURCH  
 style (s) (code) GOTHIC REVIVAL  
 condition (code) GOOD  
 construction date (source) 1937



significance  
 (relate to major themes/contexts)

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EVALUATION	SURVEYOR	SHPO
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	no <u>   </u>	no <u>   </u>
	n/a <u>   </u>	n/a <u>   </u>
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	D <u>   </u>	D <u>   </u>
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individual property	n/a <u>   </u>	n/a <u>   </u>
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	determined eligible <u>--</u>	[ ] <u>   </u>
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Surveyor Elizabeth D. Hengen  
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NR <u>   </u>	YES <u>   </u>	NO <u>   </u>	Historical context code <u>   </u>
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OTHER <u>   </u>	YES <u>   </u>	NO <u>   </u>	<u>   </u>

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HISTORIC MAP  
CITY DIRECTORIES  
"250TH ANNIV. OF FIST  
CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH"

Architect: \_\_\_\_\_

Builder: \_\_\_\_\_

Architectural/Historical Significance:

NOTES

BUILT OF BRICK, THIS GABLE END GOTHIC REVIVAL. STRUCTURE FEATURES A SQUARE TOWER AT THE SE CORNER, GRANITE AND LIMESTONE TRIM, LANCET WINDOWS, SLATE ROOF AND HANDSOME WOODEN "MEDIEVAL" ENTRANCE DOORS. THE REAR SUNDAY SCHOOL WING DATES FROM 1967.

THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH WAS THE ORIGINAL RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATION IN CONCORD ESTABLISHED IN 1730, JUST 4 YEARS AFTER THE LAND WAS SURVEYED. ITS FIRST MEETINGHOUSE WAS A LOG BLOCK HOUSE BUILT DURING THE FIRST PERIOD OF SETTLEMENT. IN 1751, IT WAS REPLACED BY THE OLD NORTH CHURCH, WHICH STOOD ON THE SITE OF THE WALKER SCHOOL UNTIL IT BURNED. THE THIRD CHURCH, A FRAME BUILDING, WAS BUILT ON THIS SITE IN 1842. THIS CLASSICAL GREEK REVIVAL EDIFICE BURNED IN 1873, TO BE REPLACED BY A BRICK BUILDING, WHICH BURNED IN 1935. THE CURRENT CHURCH, ERECTED IN 1937 AND CLOSELY RESEMBLING THE PREVIOUS STRUCTURE, IS THE FIFTH MEETINGHOUSE. THREE MINISTERS STOOD OUT IN THE CHURCH'S EARLY HISTORY, ALL INFLUENTIAL AND RESPECTED CONCORD CITIZENS: REV. TIMOTHY WALKER (1730-82), ASA MCFARLAND (1798-1925) AND NATHANIEL BOUTON (1825-67).