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Name Historic Ebenezer Lutheran Chapel

Location 1301 Richland Street

Common

Classification Building

Owner Ebenezer Lutheran Church
1301 Richland Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Representation in Existing Surveys

Description : Designed in 1870 by Columbia architect Gustav Theodore Berg, Ebenezer Lutheran Chapel was enlarged and rebuilt in 1900. Front facade of Flemish bond brick with terra cotta ornamentation features two flanking square towers which provide access into chapel. Centered in the front facade is a large stained-glass Palladian window. Brick pilasters with terra cotta capitals are featured on each corner of the front facade. Windows on the side and rear facades are arched and feature fine art glass, purchased about 1900 from the Quaker City Ecclesiastic and Decorative Stained Glass Works of Philadelphia.

The interior of the church is notable for its intricate pressed metal ceiling and for its chancel area and organ platform which retains its turned balustrade.

Alterations to the chapel have consisted of the removal of the pews and pulpit, and the removal of balustrade and cupola which originally crowned each of the two towers.

Located directly adjacent to the churchyard is a Lutheran cemetery which dates from
Significance (continued on back)

Located on the site of the first Lutheran church in Columbia, Ebenezer Lutheran Chapel was constructed in 1870 and extensively renovated in 1900. Remodeled by the Columbia architectural firm Wilson and Edwards, the church features a front facade in Flemish bond brick with glazed headers and finely detailed ca. 1900 art glass windows. At present chapel is being used as a Senior Citizen's Center.

Acreage 2.15 acres

Verbal Boundary Description TMS 29-03-17; running 295' along Sumter Street and for a distance of 318' along Richland Street

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Other Information

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the early 1800s. West of the chapel is the present Ebenezer Lutheran Church, built about 1931.