

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY

Architectural Inventory Form

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I. IDENTIFICATION

1. Resource number: **5BL7994**
2. Temporary number: **N/A**
3. County: **Boulder**
4. City: **Louisville**
5. Historic building name: **Apostolic Church**
6. Current building name: **First Pentecostal Church**
7. Building address: **833 LaFarge Avenue**
8. Owner name: **United Pentecostal Church of Louisville**
Owner address: **P.O. Box 126**
Louisville, CO 80027

II. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

9. P.M. **6th** Township **1S** Range **69W**
SE¼ of **NE**¼ of **NW**¼ of **SE**¼ of section **8**
10. UTM reference
Zone **13**
Easting: **488640**
Northing: **4425180**
11. USGS quad name: **Louisville, Colorado**
Year: **1965 (Revised 1994) 7.5'**
12. Lot(s): **9-11** Block: **5**
Addition: **Jefferson Place** Year of Addition **1880**
13. Boundary Description and Justification: **This legally defined parcel encompasses but does not exceed the land historically associated with this property.**

22. Architectural style /
building type:

Other Style
(Wood-Frame Front
Gable Church)

Official Eligibility Determination

(OAHP use only)

- Date _____ Initials _____
- ☐ Determined Eligible - National Register
- ☐ Determined Not Eligible - National Register
- ☐ Determined Eligible - State Register
- ☐ Determined Not Eligible - State Register
- ☐ Needs Data
- ☐ Contributes to eligible National Register District
- ☐ Noncontributing to eligible National Register District

III. ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

14. Building plan (footprint, shape):
Rectangular Plan
15. Dimensions in feet: **2369 square feet**
16. Number of stories: **one**
17. Primary external wall material
Asbestos
18. Roof configuration (enter one):
Gabled Roof / Front Gabled Roof
19. Primary external roof material (enter one):
Asphalt Roof
20. Special features (enter all that apply):
Chimney
Porch



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21. General Architectural Description

The First Pentecostal Church is a wood-frame building supported by a painted brown concrete foundation which ranges in height from 4½' above grade on the south elevation, to 3' above grade on the north elevation. A small planted grass front yard, landscaped with cedar bushes, is to the east of the church, while narrow side yards are to the north and south. An asphalt parking lot extends to the alley, behind the building to the west. The building's exterior walls are comprised of beige color undulated asbestos shingle siding, and the roof is a tall moderately-pitched front gable, with grey asphalt shingles and exposed rafter ends. A red and blond brick chimney is located on the ridge. Windows are primarily 1/1 double-hung sash with painted white wood frames and painted brown wood surrounds, and with exterior metal storm windows. The church also has multiple 2-light basement windows on the north and south elevations. Paired, painted brown, wood-paneled doors enter the church's gabled roof vestibule on the east elevation. The entry doors are flanked by diamond-shaped windows, and are approached by an 11-step concrete porch, with pipe railings flanking the stairs. Two gabled additions have been built onto the original structure: one addition is located at the west end of the north elevation; the other addition is to the west (rear) elevation. Both additions feature painted beige board-and-batten walls, and painted brown concrete block foundations. A wooden signboard located northeast of the building is inscribed: **First Pentecostal Church 833 LaFarge Ave.**

29. Construction History (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions:

Construction of the Apostolic Church was begun in August 1947, and completed in the spring of 1949. In more recent years (in the late 1980s), gabled additions were built onto the west (rear) elevation, and onto the west end of the north elevation. In earlier years, Louisville's Catholic Church was located here. Built prior to 1893, the Catholic Church was razed in 1946 so that this church could be built.

23. Landscape or setting special features:

The First Pentecostal Church is located at the southwest corner of LaFarge Avenue and Walnut Street, in Louisville's oldest residential neighborhood, to the west of downtown.

24. Associated buildings, features, or objects
n/a

IV. ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY

25. Date of Construction:

Estimate

Actual 1947-1949

Source of information:

"First Pentecostal Church of Louisville"

26. Architect:

n/a

Source of information:

n/a

27. Builder/ Contractor:

unknown

Source of information:

n/a

28. Original owner:

**Apostolic Church c/o Mark Baughman,
Pastor.**

Source of information:

"First Pentecostal Church of Louisville"

30. Original location: yes

Moved no

Date of move(s) n/a

V. HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS

31. Original use(s): **Religion / Church**

32. Intermediate use(s): **Religion / Church**

33. Current use(s): **Religion / Church**

34. Site type(s): **Church**

35. Historical Background

This lot was first developed prior to 1893, when Louisville's Catholic Church was built here. The Catholic Church was torn down in 1946 to make way for the present structure. According to oral sources, Joe Beauprez carried away at least some of the lumber from the old church and used it to build a barn or an outbuilding on his farm on North 95th Street, north of Louisville.

The Apostolic Church in Louisville was created in 1938, with services initially held in a small building on Main Street. After outgrowing this location, and one other location, Pastor Mark Baughman began to look for a site to build a new church. This property was purchased from Anthony LaSalle in 1946, and efforts to raze the old Catholic Church and build a new church soon began. Construction of this building was started on May 31, 1947. The first service was held in the basement in October 1948, and the interior work on the building was completed in April 1949. A dedication ceremony was held on July 6, 1952. The church's name was changed from the Apostolic Church to the First Pentecostal Church of Louisville, in 1974.

36. Sources of Information

(Boulder County) "Real Estate Appraisal Card - Urban Master", on file at the Boulder Carnegie Library.

Buffo, William (Bill, and Buffo, Betty. Oral interview with Carl McWilliams, May 5, 2000.

"First Pentecostal Church of Louisville." Manuscript on file at the Louisville Historical Museum, n.d. (circa 1988).

Polk's Boulder County Directory [generally published annually], Denver, Kansas City, and Salt Lake City: R.L. Polk and Company Publishers.

Polk's Longmont City Directory, [generally published annually], Denver, Kansas City, and Salt Lake City: R.L. Polk and Company, Publishers, 1966 - 1997.

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps, dated August 1893, November 1900, and August 1908.

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VI. SIGNIFICANCE

37. Local landmark designation:

Yes

No **xx**

Date of Designation: n/a

38. Applicable National Register Criteria

xx A. Associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history;

B. Associated with the lives of persons significant in our past;

C. Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or represents the work of a master, or that possess high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction;

D. Has yielded, or may be likely to yield information important in history or prehistory;

Qualifies under Criteria Considerations A through G (see Manual).

Does not meet any of the above National Register criteria.

39. Area(s) of Significance:

Religion: Community Planning and Development40. Period of Significance: **1947 - 1950**

41. Level of Significance:

National:

State:

Local: **xx****42. Statement of Significance**

This church is historically significant for its representation of the theme of religion, as it relates to the development of Louisville's residential community in the mid-to-late twentieth century. The building's significance, in this regard, is probably not to the extent that would qualify it for individual listing in the National Register of Historic Places. The property, though, would be eligible for inclusion in the National Register, as a contributing resource with a proposed National Register historic district.

43. Assessment of historic physical integrity related to significance:

After it was constructed in 1948, two additions were built onto the original structure in the late 1980s. These additions are architecturally compatible with the original construction, in terms of their materials, massing, and scale. As a result, this building has retained sufficient historical integrity to qualify as a contributing resource within a potential National Register historic district.

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VII. NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENT

44. National Register eligibility field assessment:

Eligible: xx

Not Eligible:

Need Data:

45. Is there National Register district potential?

Yes: xx

No:

Discuss: **Platted in 1880 as the Jefferson Place Addition, the neighborhood, along Lafarge and Jefferson Avenues, is Louisville's oldest residential neighborhood. Historic houses, and other buildings, in this area, which have retained a sufficient degree of historical integrity, could comprise a National Register historic district.**

If there is National Register district potential, is this building:

Contributing: xx

Noncontributing:

46. If the building is in an existing National Register district, is it:

Contributing: n/a

Noncontributing: n/a

VIII. RECORDING INFORMATION

47. Photograph numbers:

Roll: **CM-4**

Frame(s): **9-12**

Negatives filed at: **City of Louisville, Administration
749 Main Street
Louisville, Colorado 80027**

48. Report title: **"Old Town" Louisville Historical Building Survey**

49. Date: **March 27, 2000**

50. Recorder(s): **Carl McWilliams**

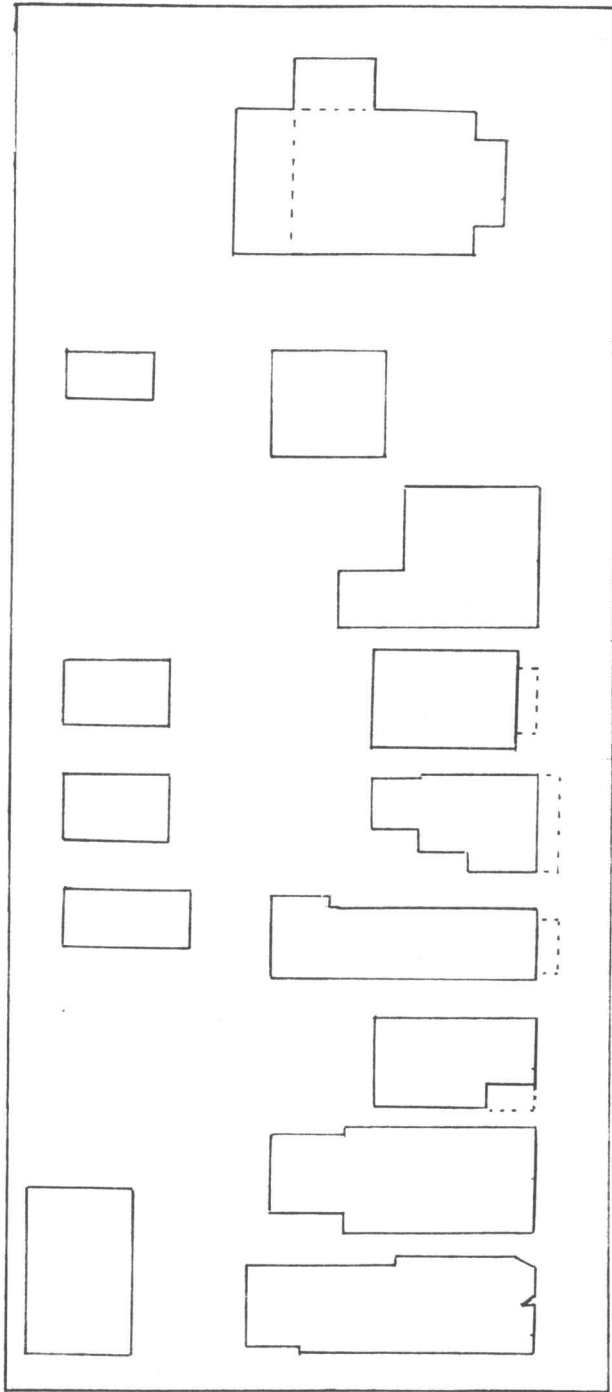
51. Organization: **Cultural Resource Historians**

52. Address: **1607 Dogwood Court
Fort Collins, Colorado 80525**

53. Phone number: **970/493-5270**

Walnut Street

Alley



833

825

821

817

815

809

805

801

LaFarge Avenue



Approximate Scale



40 Feet

Spruce Street

. . . SKETCH MAP . . .

833 LaFarge Avenue, Louisville, Colorado



. . . LOCATION MAP . . .

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STYLE NO. 44-45

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833 LaFarge Avenue



5BL7994 833 LaFarge Avenue, Louisville
First Pentecostal Church
25 April 2000
Negative located at: City of Louisville
749 Main Street, Louisville, CO 80027
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Roll CM-4 Frame 10
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