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United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places  
Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Gallupville United Methodist Church

other name/site number n/a

2. Location

street & town Factory Street  not for publication

city or town Schoharie  vicinity

state New York code NY county Schoharie code 095 zip code 12157

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this  nomination  request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property  meets  does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant  nationally  statewide  locally. (  See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

[Signature] 4/17/01  
Signature of certifying official/Title Date  
**Commissioner, New York State Office of Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation**  
**NYS Historic Preservation Officer**  
State of Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property  meets  does not meet the National Register criteria. (  See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of certifying official/Title Date  
\_\_\_\_\_  
State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that the property is:

- entered in the National Register.  
 See continuation sheet.
- determined eligible for the National Register  
 See continuation sheet.
- determined not eligible for the National Register.
- removed from the National Register.
- other, (explain): \_\_\_\_\_

[Signature] \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of the Keeper Date of Action  
Edson H. Beall 5-30-01

*Gallupville United Methodist Church  
Wright, Schoharie County, New York*

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
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Gallupville United Methodist Church is situated in the town of Wright, Schoharie County, on the west side of Factory Road in the small cross roads hamlet of Gallupville. The church occupies a small parcel of land and is bounded on all sides by nineteenth century residential development.

Gallupville United Methodist Church was built using a single-story three by three-bay plan with a small, single-story rear wing, which is original to the building. The church is framed with hand-hewn posts and beams and rests on a stone foundation. The building is covered by a moderately pitched gable roof, clad with asphalt shingles. Narrow clapboards sheath the west façade and north and south elevations while the rear (east) elevation and rear wing are sheathed with wider clapboards. Windows throughout the church are elongated. Each window contains double-hung sash. The original (ca.1844) multiple light sash were removed as part of an 1896 renovation. At this time the present geometric patterned stained glass panels were installed. A rear wing extends from the west elevation of the church. The wing retains its original six-over-six light sash.

The principal elevation (east) of the church is distinguished by a central Romanesque style, two-stage engaged entry/bell tower. The tower, added to the church in 1896, is sheathed with narrow clapboards. A top light of colored glass panes surmounts the entry, which is composed of a pair of six-panel door set within a simple surround. A molded full pediment is situated above the top light. This architectural element may have been reused from the original Greek Revival style entrance. Located above the entry on the second floor of the tower is a single Queen Anne style double hung sash window. A molded cornice separates the second stage of the tower from the belfry. The belfry is distinguished by paired Gothic arched openings on each of its four elevations. A denticulated cornice separates this stage from its pyramidal roof. Prior to the construction of the tower a fully pedimented gable with flush board tympanum distinguished the facade of the church. The extant portions of this feature remain intact on either side of the tower.

The north and south elevations of the church are identical. Each elevation features three elongated windows containing double hung sash with leaded glass panels.

The single story wing dominates the rear (west) elevation. The wing extends from the rear wall of the main block of the building. The wing is original to the 1844 construction of the church.

The interior plan of the church is simple and completely intact from the building's period of significance. The plan consists of an entry vestibule, auditorium and sanctuary. The main entrance of the building opens into a small vestibule, which fills the tower. From the entrance hall a pair of wood paneled doors opens onto a central aisle, which separates two rows of oak pews. At the head of the aisles is the platformed sanctuary, which is separated from the body of the church by a simple oak balustrade. A finely crafted wood Gothic style altar table, chairs and lectern remain intact. Of particular note on the interior of the church is the lavish use of matchstick boards to cover all the interior surfaces. The walls of the church are covered from

Gallupville United Methodist Church  
Name of Property

Schoharie, New York  
County and State

### 5. Classification

**Ownership of Property**  
(check as many boxes as apply)

- public-local
- private
- public-State
- public-Federal

**Category of Property**  
(check only one box)

- district
- building(s)
- site
- structure
- object

**Number of Resources within Property**  
(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
001		buildings
		sites
		structures
		objects
001	0	Total

**Name of related multiple property listing**  
(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

n/a

**Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register**

n/a

### 6. Function or Use

**Historic Function**  
(Enter categories from instructions)

RELIGION/Religious facility

**Current Function**  
(Enter categories from instructions)

RELIGION/Religious facility

### 7. Description

**Architectural Classification**  
(Enter categories from instructions)

MID-19<sup>th</sup> CENTURY/Greek Revival  
LATE VICTORIAN/Romanesque

**Materials**  
(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation Stone  
walls Wood  
roof Asphalt shingles  
other

### Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

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floor to ceiling with rows of diagonal and horizontal boards separated by narrow fillets. A vertical band of boards serve as a cornice. The coved ceiling is also covered with narrow wood boards. Like the walls, the ceiling features a variety of placements of this material. All wood surfaces are natural in color and polished to a warm glow. Early nineteenth century electric light fixtures remain insitu. A wood paneled door leads from the north side of the sanctuary back into the rear wing. A blind door is located on the south side of the sanctuary to balance the architectural composition. The interior of the church dates to the 1896 renovation project. As part of this program the original balcony was removed, the multi-light window sash replaced with stained glass, and the new wall finishes were installed.

**8. Description**

**Applicable National Register Criteria**

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- A** Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B** Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C** Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D** Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

**Criteria Considerations**

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- A** owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B** removed from its original location.
- C** a birthplace or grave.
- D** a cemetery.
- E** a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F** a commemorative property.
- G** less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

**Narrative Statement of Significance**

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

**Areas of Significance**

(enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

**Period of Significance**

1844-1896

**Significant Dates**

1844, 1896

**Significant Persons**

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

n/a

**Cultural Affiliation**

n/a

**Architect/Builder**

n/a

**9. Major Bibliographical References**

**Bibliography**

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

**Previous documentation on file (NPS):**

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # \_\_\_\_\_
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # \_\_\_\_\_

**Primary location of additional data:**

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other Name of repository: \_\_\_\_\_

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Gallupville United Methodist Church is significant as a finely intact example of late nineteenth century ecclesiastical design in the region. The building is of particular note for its finely proportioned Greek Revival form with later Romanesque style overlay and its lavish wood interior. The church is an excellent example of an early rural church that evolved reflecting the changing tastes and prosperity of its congregation and the community. It is an outstanding example of its period and style in the Helderburg region, as well as a rare survivor.

The small hamlet of Gallupville developed around the Albany and Schoharie Turnpike. The community was originally named Fox Creek. In 1825 Ezra Gallup was named as postmaster for the community and the name of the new post office was established as Gallupville. The town of Wright formally set off from the town of Schoharie in 1846. At the time of the 1855 census the town recorded 1655 residents.

The history of the Methodist church in Gallupville dates to ca.1812 when the Class met in the Barber Schoolhouse under the direction of Issac Barber. A second Class was established in 1829 under the direction of J. H. Orelup. On March 22, 1844, at a meeting directed by Rev. Samuel Covell, the Methodist Episcopal Church was incorporated in Gallupville. ON September 24, 1844 the new church purchased a parcel of land from Frederick and Magdalene Shafer for a sum of \$40.00. Construction of the church began that same year.

Gallupville United Methodist is a unique example of ecclesiastic architecture in the town of Wright. The church brings together a unique architectural vocabulary of Greek Revival, Romanesque Revival and Victorian era designs, which evolved over the building's first fifty years. As originally constructed, the church reflected the thoughtful proportions of the Greek Revival movement. Elongated windows, broad paneled corner boards, a wide frieze band and a fully pedimented façade gable highlighted the nearly square building. This simple and almost rigorous design was altered in 1896 with the addition of a Romanesque style entry/bell tower and a lavish Queen Anne inspired interior. The construction of the tower was clearly undertaken by a craftsman who was sensitive to the building's original architecture. The new structure was blended seamlessly into the original composition using an appropriate scale and proportions. The almost austere tower with the rigorously simple Greek Revival building form belie the lavish Queen Anne interior, which was installed at the same time. The new interior décor sheathed the entire, once white plaster interior, with warm narrow strips of oak placed in a variety of patterns. The warm wood tones of the interior blended with natural oak pews and altar furnishings to create a homogeneous interior space.

As built and later altered, Gallupville United Methodist displays a variety of features associated with popular ecclesiastic architectural styles from the mid to late-nineteenth century. The church remains virtually intact from its period of significance and provides a unique glimpse into the architectural trends and tastes of this small rural community.

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**9. Bibliographical References**

Combination Atlas Map of Schoharie County. Philadelphia: Everts, Ensign & Everts, 1876;  
reprint ed., Churchville, NY: Martin Wehle, 1973.

Przysiecki, Ruth and Cornwell, Alice. "Historic Notes of the Gallupville United Methodist  
Church." United Methodist Church, 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Gallupville, NY: 1994.

Gallupville United Methodist Church  
Name of Property

Schoharie, New York  
County and State

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property Less than one acre

### UTM References

(Place additional boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

1 18 562753 4723400  
Zone Easting Northing

2  
Zone Easting Northing

3  
Zone Easting Northing

4  
Zone Easting Northing

See continuation sheet

### Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

### Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

## 11. Form Prepared By

name/title John A. Bonafide, Historic Preservation Program Analyst

organization NYSOPRHP date January, 2001

street & number PO Box 189 telephone (518) 237-8643

city or town Waterford state NY zip code 12388-0189

### Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

#### Continuation Sheets

#### Maps

A **USGS map** (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

#### Photographs

Representative black and **white photographs** of the property.

### Additional items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

### Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of SHPO or FPO.)

name/title Gallupville United Methodist Church

street & number Factory Street telephone \_\_\_\_\_

city or town Schoharie state NY zip code 12157

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**10. Geographical Data**

**Verbal Boundary Description**

The boundary for the nominated property is shown as the heavy black outline on the accompanying map entitled "United Methodist Church, Wright, Schoharie County, New York."

**Boundary Justification**

The boundary for the nomination has been drawn to coincide with the current legal lot for the property.

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**Gallupville United Methodist Church**

Wright, Schoharie County

Photo by: John A. Bonafide, 2001

NYSOPRHP, PO Box 189

Waterford, NY 12188-0189

Neg. at: NYSOPRHP, PO Box 189

Waterford, NY 12188-0189

**Photographs**

1. East façade and south elevation
2. East façade and north elevation
3. West elevation
4. West and south elevations
5. Interior detail
6. Interior detail



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Gallupville Methodist Church

MULTIPLE NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: NEW YORK, Schoharie

DATE RECEIVED: 4/25/01      DATE OF PENDING LIST: 5/14/01  
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 5/30/01      DATE OF 45TH DAY: 6/10/01  
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 01000584

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N    DATA PROBLEM: N    LANDSCAPE: N    LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N  
OTHER: N    PDIL: N    PERIOD: N    PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N  
REQUEST: N    SAMPLE: N    SLR DRAFT: N    NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT     RETURN     REJECT    5/30/01 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

Entered in the  
National Register

RECOM./CRITERIA \_\_\_\_\_

REVIEWER \_\_\_\_\_ DISCIPLINE \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N



GALLIPWALKERS  
METHODIST CHURCH

Gallupville U.M. Church  
Wright Schoharie Co.  
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Gallopville u. m. Church  
Weight, Schokarie Co

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GALLOPVILLE U. M. Church

Weight. SETHOCHARIE Co.

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Weight Seoharie Co.  
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GALLOPVILLE UM Church Co.  
WEIGHT SCHOFARIE  
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GALLOPVILLE Um Church Co  
WEIGHT SchottARIE

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NEW YORK STATE  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

GALLUPVILLE QUADRANGLE  
NEW YORK  
7.5 MINUTE SERIES



Gallupville United Methodist Church  
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Gallupville Quad  
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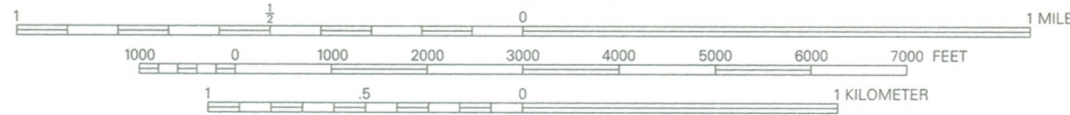
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QUADRANGLE LOCATION

SCALE 1:24 000



Transverse Mercator projection, 1927 North American Datum

To place on the 1983 North American Datum, move the projection lines 9 meters south and 35 meters west as shown by dashed corner ticks.

1000-meter ticks based on the New York State Transverse Mercator projection /grid.

Between 72° and 78° West Longitude, this projection/grid is identical to Zone 18 of the Universal Transverse Mercator projection/grid. Areas east of 72° and west of 78° are direct mathematical extensions of Zone 18. The scale of this map has been adjusted by its projection scale factor in order to maintain true 1:24,000 scale. The Transverse Mercator projection scale factor at this quadrangle location is 0.9997.

10,000-foot ticks based on the New York State Plane Coordinate System, East Zone. 1993 magnetic declination is approximately 14° West. Control and spot elevations shown to the nearest foot.

Contours, at 20-foot intervals, shown unrevised from 1944 U.S. Geological Survey map. Datum is mean sea level.



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MAP COVERAGE

BOUNDARIES:  
State .....  
County .....  
Town or City .....  
Incorporated Village .....  
State / Federal Land .....

ROADS:  
Posted Touring Route: .....  
Interstate .....  
U.S. ....  
State .....  
County .....  
State Highway (SH) number and limit .....  
County road .....  
Interchange number .....  
Divided:  
Wide mail .....  
Narrow mail or barrier .....  
Undivided:  
4 or more lanes .....  
Less than 4 lanes .....  
Vehicle track; trail .....