

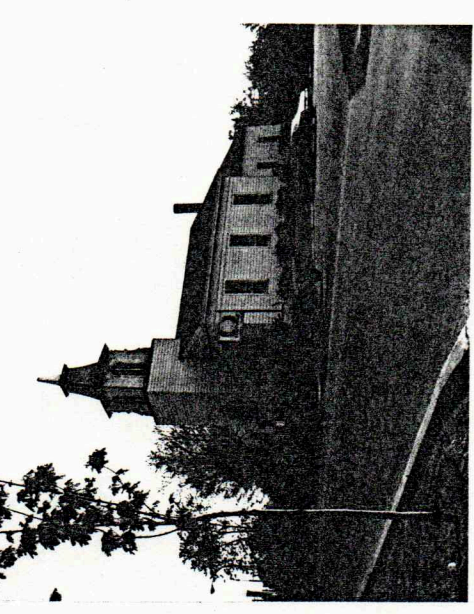
Historic Name
Common Name
District Name

First Baptist Church
of Clarkston
Church of God

USGS Map Title
Area Map Title

Clarkston Historic
District

Site No.
6-14



Street and Number
Block Number
Sub-unit
Municipal Unit
County

50 S. Main
Clarkston
Oakland

Original Usage
Present Usage

Religious
Religious

Ownership
Semi-Public

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Date
View

5/25/79
South and West facades looking Northeast

Survey/Date
Surveyor
Recorder/Date

5/25/79
G. Kwapis
Gary Kwapis/B.1.Francis 5/79

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Description

This clapboard over wood frame structure was built in 1847. In 1892, horse sheds were constructed on the southeast corner of the property while the adjacent house to the north was purchased in 1895 for use as a parsonage. An addition to the church was built circa 1912. In 1930, the original stacked stone foundations were removed and replaced with poured concrete pilasters with concrete block infill. The church was remodeled in 1938 including the alteration of the belfry. The stained glass windows of the auditorium were replaced in 1949 and a vestibule was added on the northwest corner circa 1950.

Significance

Date of Construction ca. 1847

Architect/Builder

The Church of God is significant as an example of mid-19th Century vernacular religious architecture and for its prominent location on Main Street. Main Street is the primary north-south artery through the center of Clarkston. The Church of God is situated on a hill in the Village Center. Its steeple can be seen from a great distance as an identifying symbol for the Village of Clarkston.

Bibliographic References

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