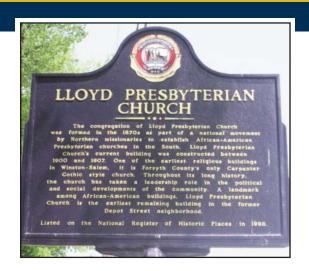
HISTORIC MARKER PROGRAM

Forsyth County Historic Resources Commission

Lloyd Presbyterian Church

Lloyd Presbyterian Church was formed in the 1870s as part of a national movement by Northern missionaries to establish African-American Presbyterian churches in the South. Lloyd's membership in those earliest years was comprised mainly of workers in the growing tobacco factories in the Depot Street area (today's Patterson Avenue). However, in a few years Lloyd's membership grew to include teachers and lawyers, bankers and businessmen, reflecting the rapid rise of prosperity in the city's African-American population.





Lloyd Presbyterian Church is a landmark among African-American architectural resources in Forsyth County. It was built as an urban church in a prospering neighborhood and played a significant role in the development of the larger community. The church has been in continuous use since its construction at the turn of the 20th century, but today its surroundings are no longer the bustle of a healthy neighborhood. The property is located on the west side of North Chestnut Street in the Liberty-Patterson area, still known as the Depot Street neighborhood. Built close to the street with its steps descending to the sidewalk, the building is surrounded by both sides and on the rear by a welltended lawn. The façade of the church faces east. All of the church's property lot, as well as the adjoining lot on the south side, is covered in grass with shade trees. To the north side is a mowed grass drive, which, in fact, is a public alley. The alley was the site of significant buildings in the neighborhood's early history, including an earlier Lloyd Church and an African-American school. Lloyd Church is visible from the south, east, and north, and presents a captivating vista from the northeast, framed by green grass and trees. The current setting is in contrast to its historic setting in a bustling, fully-developed residential area in the Depot Street neighborhood.

Built between 1900 and 1907, Lloyd Presbyterian Church is one of the earliest religious buildings in Winston-Salem outside of the Moravian tradition. It is Forsyth County's only Carpenter Gothic church and the most well-preserved turn of the century church buildings in Winston-Salem. The church is significant for the charm of its architecture, and as the earliest remaining building in the Depot Street neighborhood.

Lloyd Presbyterian Church has always taken a leadership role in the political and social developments of the community, promoting political involvement and racial equality. The congregation has also been active in working with the neighborhood's efforts to retain the vitality of the area.

In 1998, Lloyd Presbyterian Church was listed on the National Register of Historic Places, and in 1981, it was designated as a Forsyth County Local Historic Landmark.

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Lloyd Presbyterian Church National Register Nomination

http://lloydpres.com/

http://www2.journalnow.com/news/2008/sep/23/ in-progress-members-of-lloyd-presbyterianchurch-u-ar-127423/



This information is also available at the Forsyth County Historic Resources Commission's web site: http://www.ForsythCountyHRC.org



