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NATIONAL PARK SERVICENATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

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DATE ENTEREDSEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS**1 NAME**

HISTORIC United Presbyterian Church

AND/OR COMMON

LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER 7 South Main

CITY, TOWN

Malad City

VICINITY OF

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Idaho

CODE

16

COUNTY

Oneida

CODE

071

CLASSIFICATION**CATEGORY**☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT**OWNERSHIP**☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED**STATUS**☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS**ACCESSIBLE**☒ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ NO**PRESENT USE**☐ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☒ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER:**OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME United Presbyterian Church

STREET & NUMBER

P.O. Box 52

CITY, TOWN

Malad

VICINITY OF

STATE

Idaho

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Oneida County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Malad

STATE

Idaho

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE Idaho State Historic Sites Inventory

DATE

1972

☐ FEDERAL ☒ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Idaho State Historical Society

CITY, TOWN

Boise

STATE

Idaho

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

☒ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☒ UNALTERED
☐ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Presbyterian church in Malad is a small and unpretentious brick chapel on a stone foundation, dating from 1882. It is basically rectangular in plan, with front-facing gables on the centered, enclosed, outset east entry porch and on the facade. A small wing at left rear, with a north-facing gable and exterior chimney, produces a minimally L-shaped plan. The fabric of the church is red brick. Decoration is confined to simple geometric trim on the vergeboards on the porch, and segmental arches of double-course header bricks on all wall openings. The interior has been remodeled from its historic condition, but the only exterior alterations are new doors and entry steps, a ridgebeam cross of recent vintage and a conduit box on the rear wing.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
PREHISTORIC	☐ ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	☐ COMMUNITY PLANNING	☐ LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	☐ RELIGION
1400-1499	☐ ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	☐ CONSERVATION	☐ LAW	☐ SCIENCE
1500-1599	☐ AGRICULTURE	☐ ECONOMICS	☐ LITERATURE	☐ SCULPTURE
1600-1699	☒ ARCHITECTURE	☒ EDUCATION	☐ MILITARY	☐ SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
1700-1799	☐ ART	☐ ENGINEERING	☐ MUSIC	☐ THEATER
1800-1899	☐ COMMERCE	☐ EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	☐ PHILOSOPHY	☐ TRANSPORTATION
1900-	☐ COMMUNICATIONS	☐ INDUSTRY	☐ POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	☐ OTHER (SPECIFY)
		☐ INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1882

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Red-brick architecture, dating from the last quarter of the 19th century and particularly characterized by gabled roofs and segmentally arched openings, is prominent in the architectural endowment of a number of small towns near the southeast Idaho-northeast Utah border: Oakley, Samaria and Elba are examples. Malad City has experienced more growth, and the red-brick survivals are rarer. The Presbyterian Church near the center of town, however, is a neat example of the style and period. Its physical centrality also implies its institutional importance in early Malad.

The community originated with Mormon settlers in 1864, and gentle freighters and stage drivers soon made Malad an important base on the Montana road from Salt Lake. In a clash that developed after 1874 between Mormon and anti-Mormon elements in the area, a Presbyterian mission school founded at Malad in 1878 received school district support and had so many pupils (as a public as well as mission school) that a brick chapel (the building nominated) was built in 1882 to accomodate them in a structure superior to the original log and sod schoolhouse, which had overflowed into the upper floor of a downtown store. (The mother of D. L. Evans, a leading Mormon in Malad, also allowed the mission school to use her house.)

The rear of the 1882 chapel-school house functioned as a parsonage. Public support was discontinued after the Mormons regained their franchise, and (like most such private schools - Mormon and non-Mormon) this mission school was discontinued in 1908.

After a fire in 1918, the entire interior was rededicated as a place of worship. It remains in that use today.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Jenkins, B. L.; History of the First Presbyterian Church, Malad City, Idaho. Privately published, December 1959. (On file at Idaho State Historical Society, Boise, Idaho.)

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY less than one acre

QUADRANGLE NAME Malad City, East, Idaho

UTM REFERENCES

A 12 39 70 37 0 46 70 99 5

ZONE EASTING

NORTHING

C

E

G

UTM NOT VERIFIED

QUADRANGLE SCALE 7.5

B

ZONE EASTING

NORTHING

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H

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

This nomination includes the building at 7 South Main in Malad and the property on which it stands, which in 1978 are owned by the Presbyterian Church in Malad. Block D of Malad City townsite, tax #1990 and 684.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

CODE

COUNTY

CODE

STATE

CODE

COUNTY

CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE Patricia Wright, Architectural Historian

ORGANIZATION

Idaho State Historical Society

DATE

20 Aug 79

STREET & NUMBER

610 North Julia Davis Drive

TELEPHONE

384-2120

CITY OR TOWN

Boise

STATE

Idaho

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL X

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

Merle Wells

TITLE

Idaho State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE 20 Aug 79

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ATTEST:

W. Ray Luce

CHIEF OF REGISTRATION

DATE

10-16-79

DATE

Oct 16, 1979



United Presbyterian Church
Malad, Idaho, *Oneida County, Idaho*
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Boise, Idaho
View from West

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