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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

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SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS  
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC St. Mark's Episcopal Church

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Third and Elm Street

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Hope

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Fourth

STATE

Arkansas

CODE

05

COUNTY

Hempstead

CODE

057

3 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
- MUSEUM
- COMMERCIAL
- PARK
- EDUCATIONAL
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- ENTERTAINMENT
- RELIGIOUS
- GOVERNMENT
- SCIENTIFIC
- INDUSTRIAL
- TRANSPORTATION
- MILITARY
- OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Episcopal Diocese of Arkansas, the Right Reverend Christopher Keller

STREET & NUMBER

300 West 17th

CITY, TOWN

Little Rock

VICINITY OF

STATE

Arkansas

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Circuit Clerk's Office

STREET & NUMBER

Hempstead County Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Hope

STATE

Arkansas

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

# DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED      DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

## DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

On May 10, 1904, the cornerstone of St. Mark's Episcopal Church was laid. The building was completed in the Spring of 1905 at a cost of \$3,500. St. Mark's Church is a modified T-shaped structure with a gabled vestibule on the north side of the facade. The exterior is covered in hardboard siding having a plain frieze. The structure rests on a brick foundation. The roof has approximately a sixteen-twelve pitch and is covered with wood shingles.

A large Gothic window marks the facade of the Church. This window features four narrow, tall panes of stained glass, each having its own Gothic-arch top, below a variety of stained glass panels in diamond, triangular and hexagonal shapes. All of the stained glass windows in the Church are reputed to have been designed by Tiffany.

The gabled vestibule contains heavy double-entry doors. These Gothic-shaped doors feature small squares of stained glass in the upper one-third section. A small stained glass window is found on the north elevation of the vestibule.

The north and south elevations of the main body of the church feature three windows each. These windows are of richly colored stained glass with Gothic-style pointed heads over double-hung sash. The window located in the vestibule and the six larger windows on the north and south wings of the church continue in the Gothic style. These windows also are of stained glass but are of a different pattern than the six on the north and south elevations of the main body of the Church.

On the east elevation of St. Mark's Church is a gabled projection which contains the apse. A delicate Gothic-shaped, stained glass window with tracery forms the focal point of the apse. Very slender Gothic stained glass windows, located on the north and south wings of the Church, flank the apse.

The interior of St. Mark's Church is almost totally of oak construction. The walls and the ceiling are of narrow-plank oak, with exposed ceiling beams. Rows of oak pews flank the nave, along with the three stained glass windows on each side.

The chancel contains the massive pipe organ which was installed in 1915. The entire north wall of the chancel is utilized for the organ. On the south wall of the chancel hangs an elaborate tapestry which once hung in a Church in Italy.

The focal and functional center of St. Mark's interior is the apse. It is marked by a Gothic stained glass window with tracery which forms one large Gothic arch flanked by two smaller ones and separated at the top by triangular shaped panels. An elaborate gold-leaf tabernacle topped by a cross decorated with amethysts rests beneath the window. The sanctuary

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light is of crimson stained glass. Both the tabernacle and the sanctuary light came from Europe.

The only alteration which has been made to St. Mark's Church is the removal of a rose window, which was on the facade above the large stained glass window. The rose window was destroyed by a storm a few years ago and was not replaced. The original clapboard exterior has recently been covered with hardboard siding. Otherwise the Church remains in its original condition.

St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Hope rests on a corner lot on Hope's busiest street. Its age, its simple Gothic touches and its excellent condition combine to make St. Mark's Church an important historical landmark.



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Two projects undertaken by the members of the church in its early years are indicative of the vitality of the church that was so important to the City of Hope. In 1915 an elaborate pipe organ was installed in the church, and by 1917 the church had finished paying for it. Another project consisted of establishing a library in the sacristy of the church. A variety of books, magazines and papers on many subjects were collected between 1915 and 1918. Since there was no public library in Hope at the time, the Church made the reading materials publically available.

In 1947, due to dwindling numbers and diminishing programs, St. Mark's requested at the Diocesan Convention that its status be changed from that of parish to organized mission. The convention voted the change and St. Mark's is still listed in Diocesan records as a mission despite the fact that within the past few years there has been a surge of growth and energy in the church.

# 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Green, Mrs. George M. Personal interview at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Hope, Arkansas, November 5, 1975.

Shiver, Harry, ed. A Commemorative History of Hope, Arkansas. Hope, Arkansas: Centennial Commission, 1975.

# 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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# 11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Sandra Taylor, Historian

ORGANIZATION

Arkansas Historic Preservation Program

DATE

12-9-75

STREET & NUMBER

300 West Markham

TELEPHONE

501-371-1639

CITY OR TOWN

Little Rock

STATE

Arkansas

# 12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

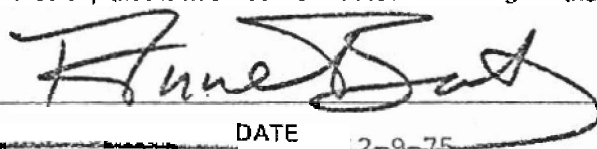
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STATE

LOCAL

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 Anne Bartley



State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE

2-9-75

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

DATE

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ATTEST:

DATE

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

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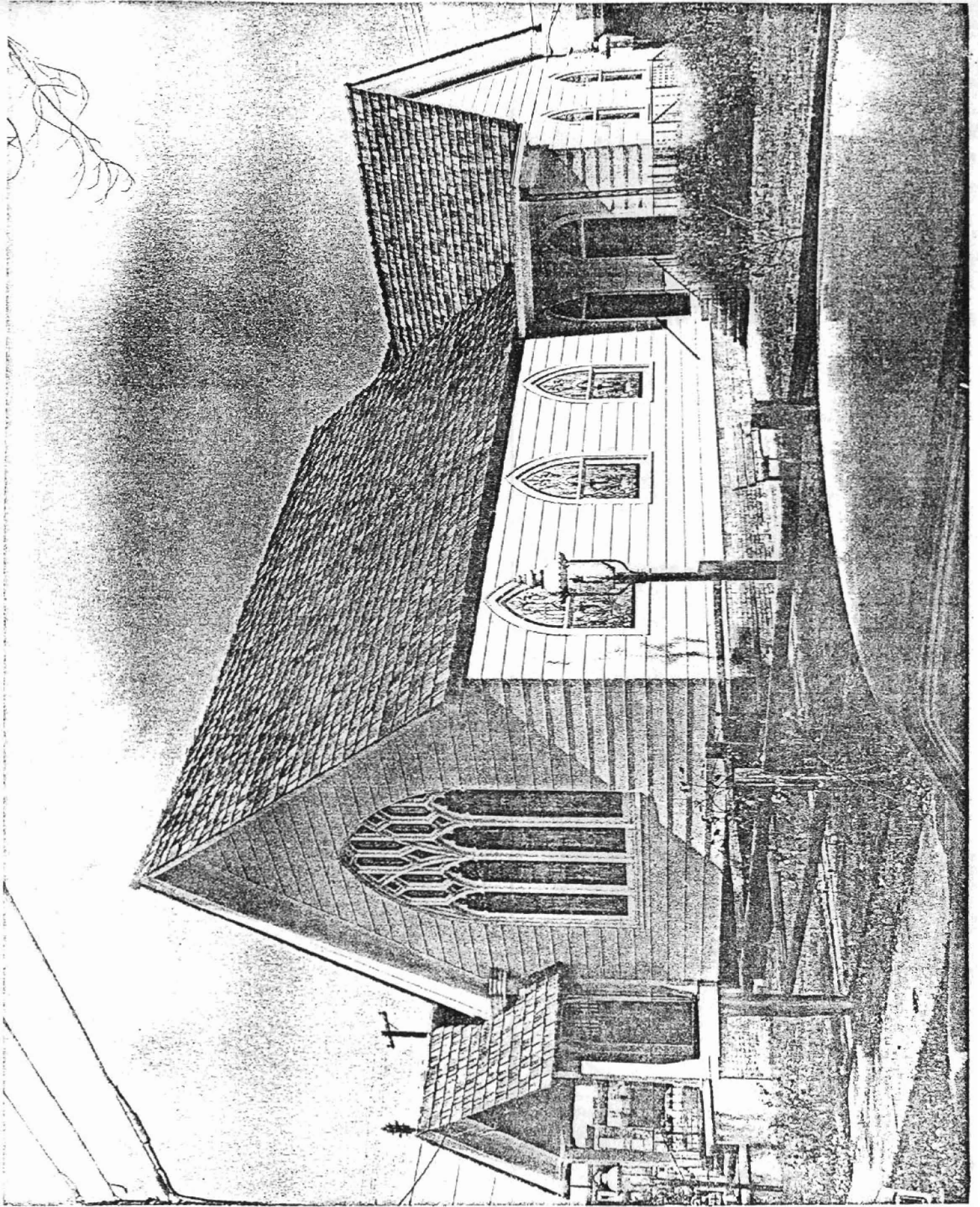
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Facade and south elevation, viewed from the southwest

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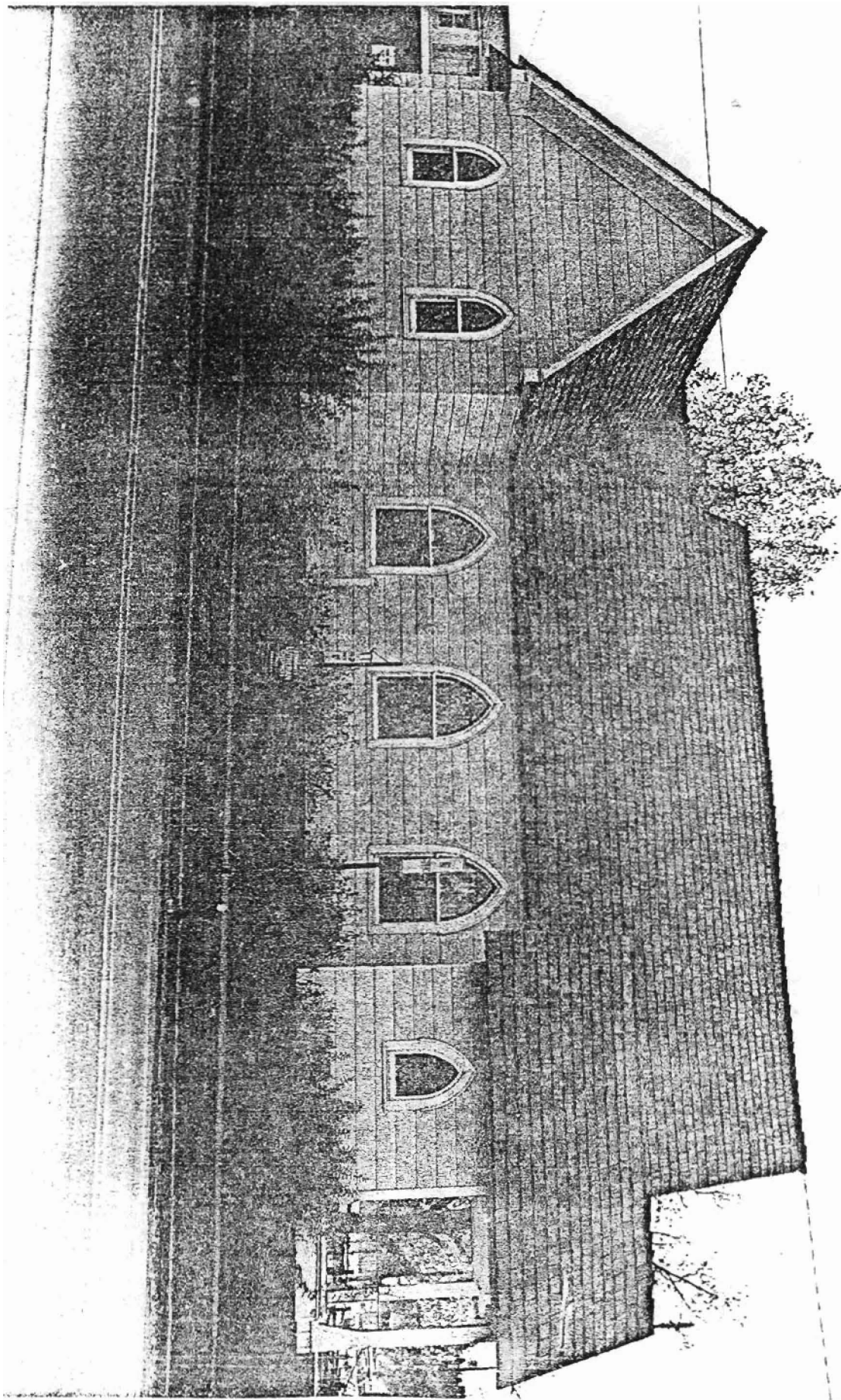
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North elevation, viewed from the north 2



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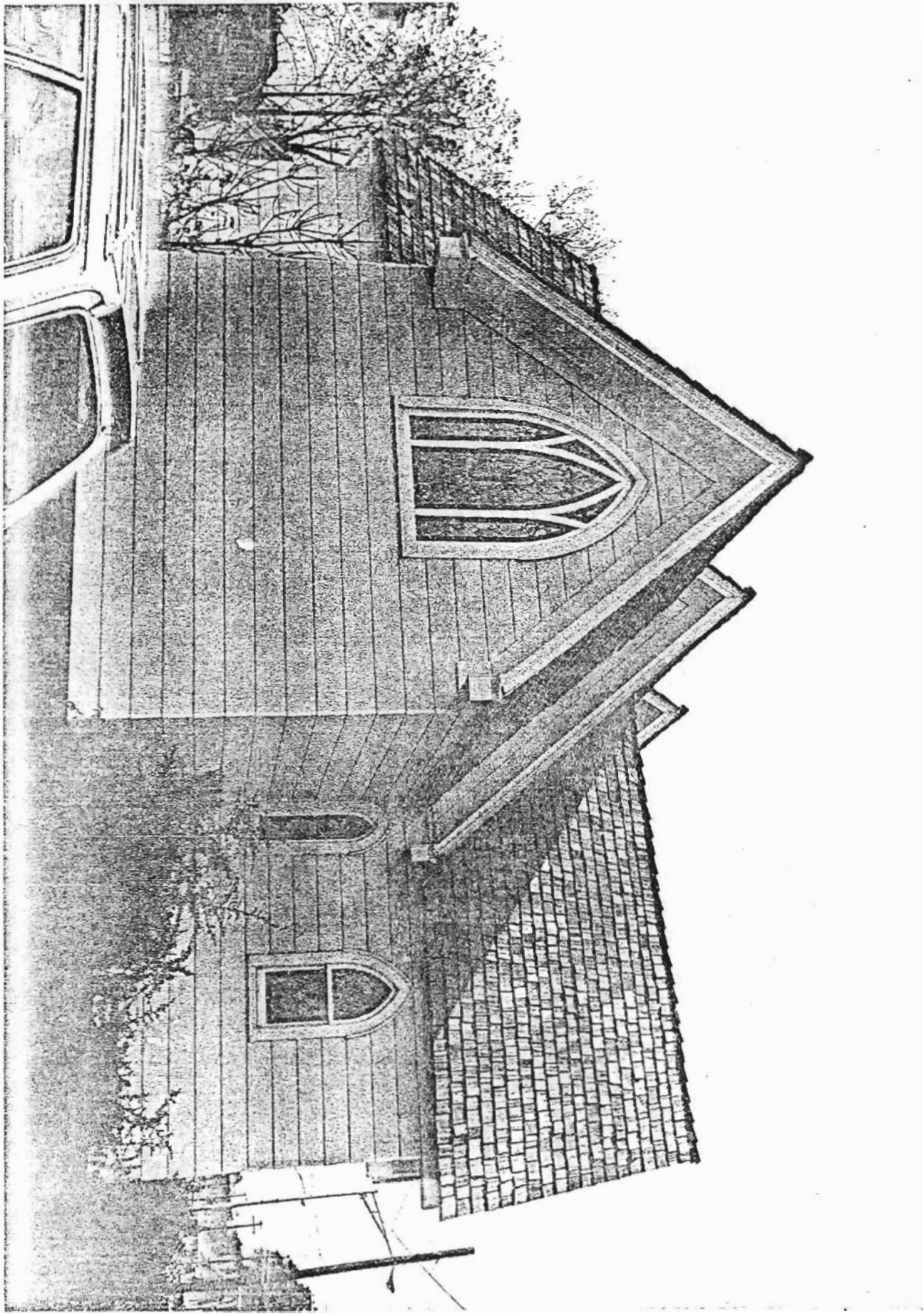
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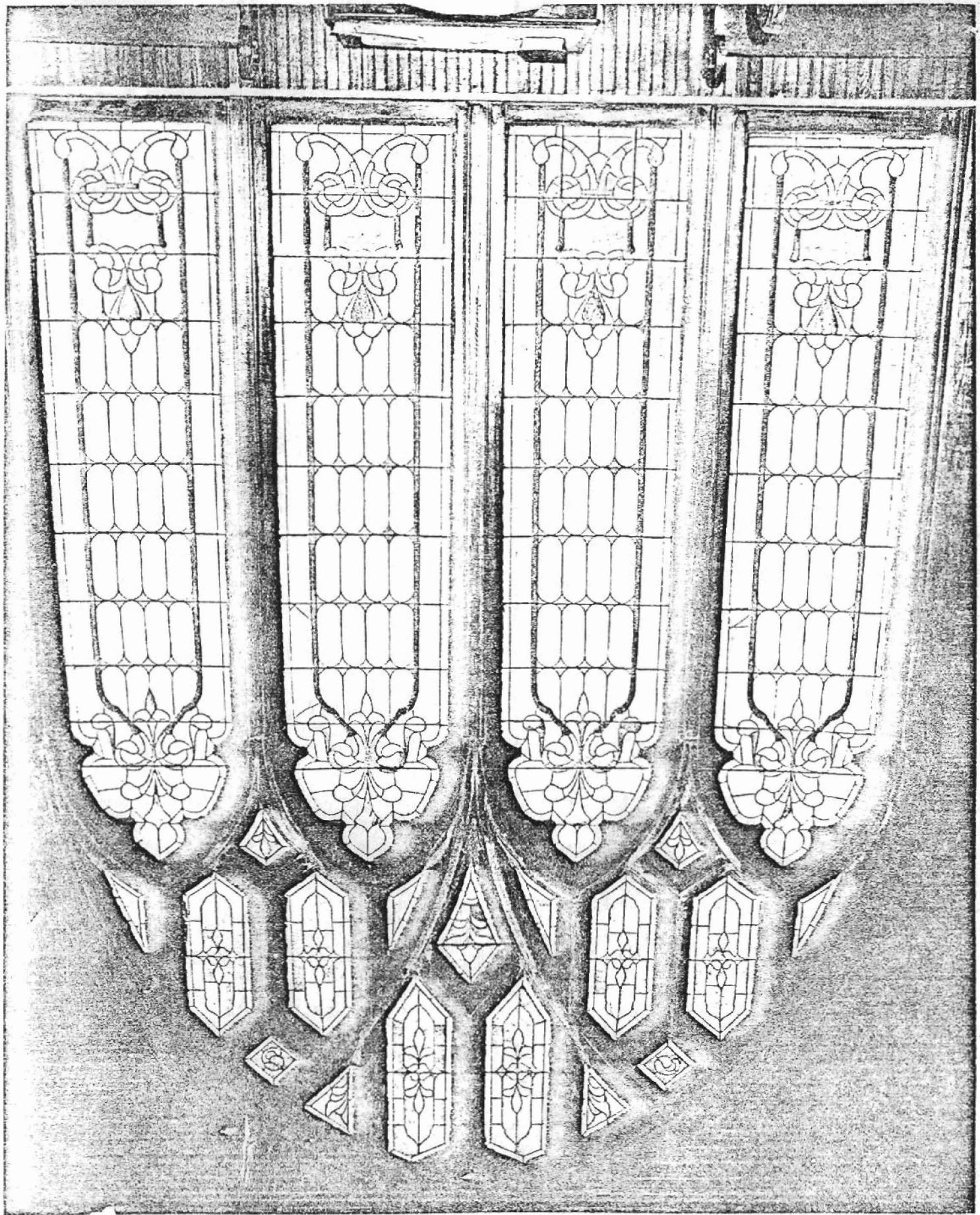
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Large stained glass window on facade, viewed from the interior

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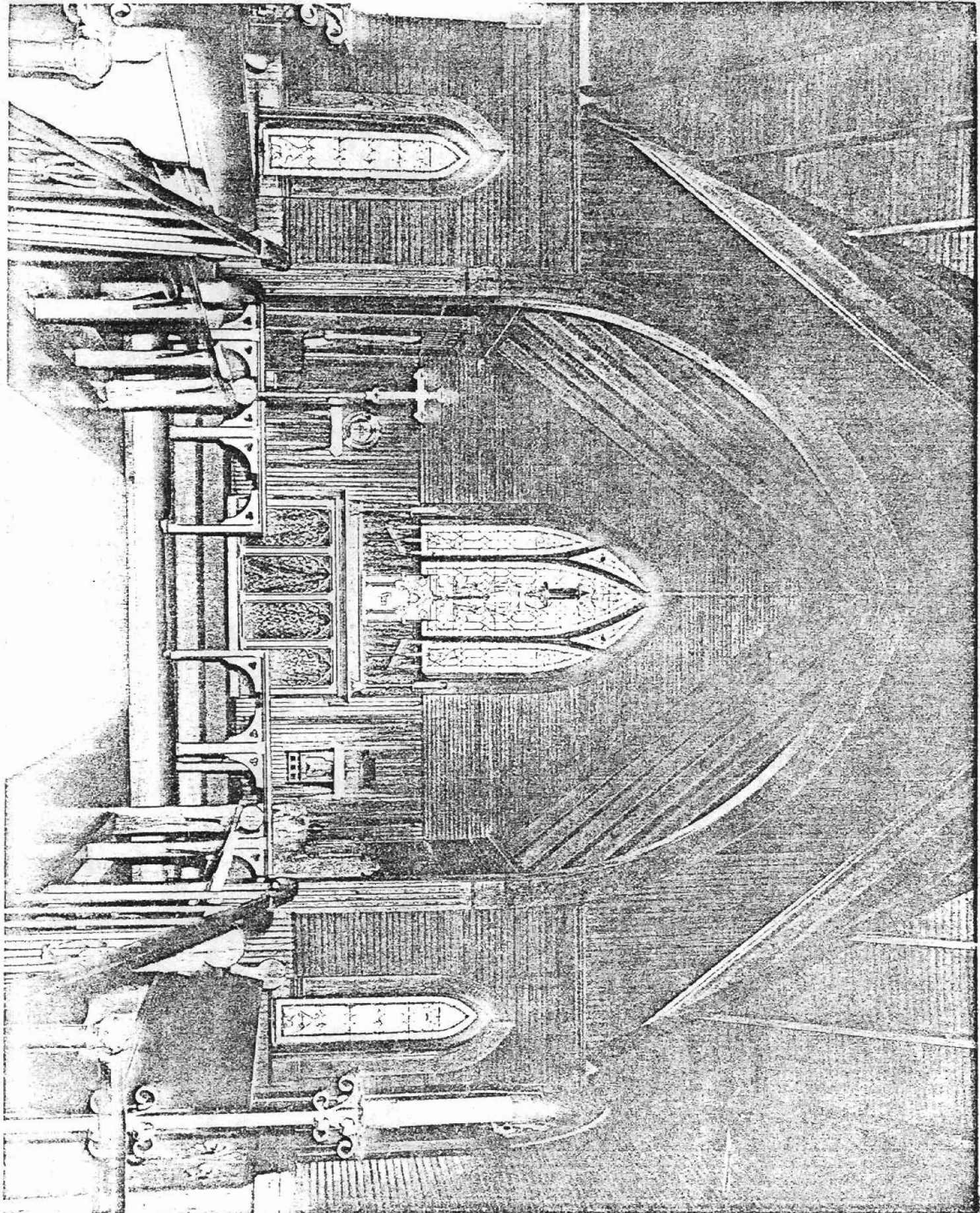
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Chancel and apse

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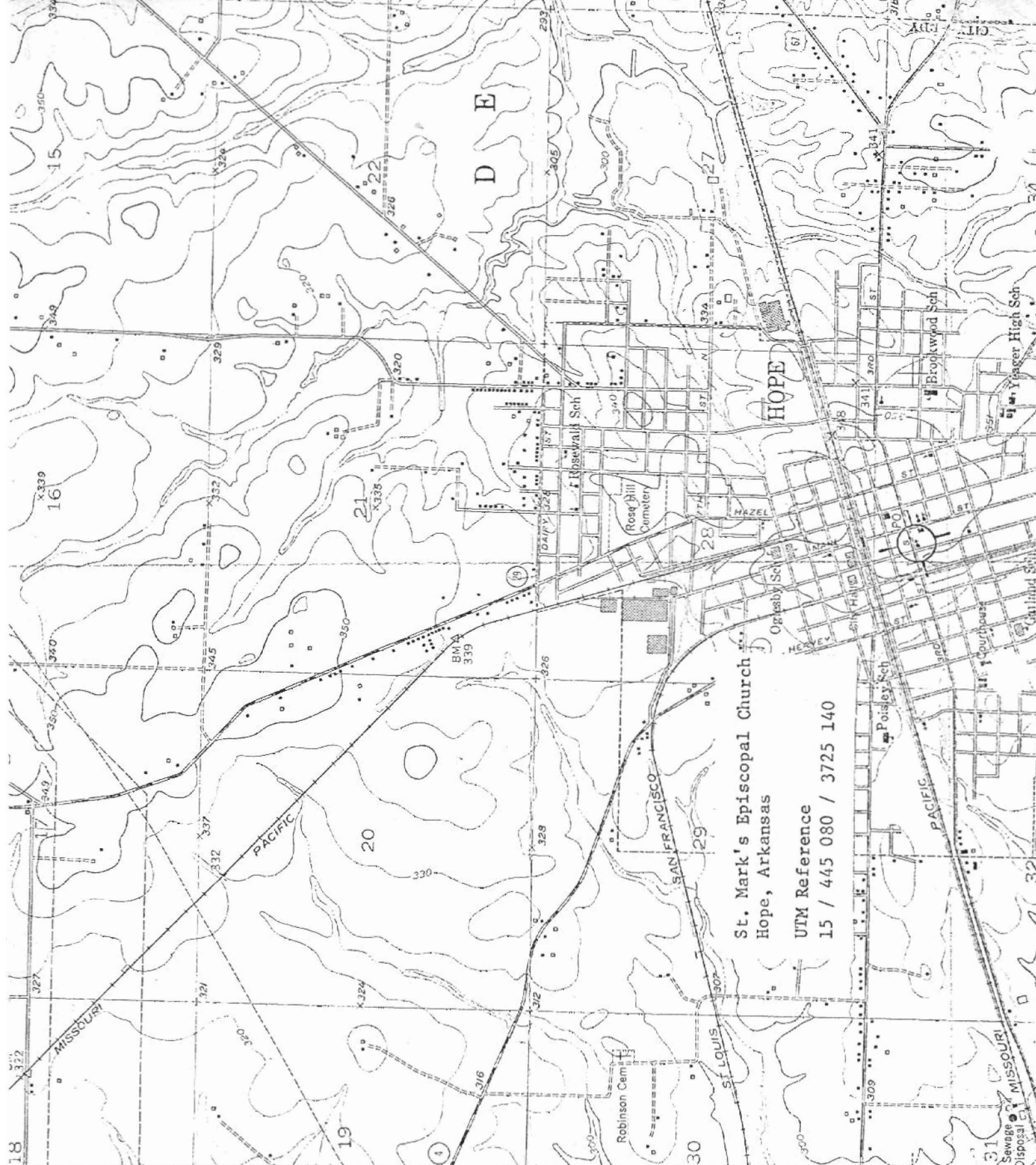
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St. Mark's Episcopal Church  
Hope, Arkansas

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