

# Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System

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<b>Inventory No:</b>	GRN.16
<b>Historic Name:</b>	Second Church of Christ Congregational
<b>Common Name:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>	1580 Main Rd
<b>City/Town:</b>	Granville
<b>Village/Neighborhood:</b>	West Granville
<b>Local No:</b>	
<b>Year Constructed:</b>	1778
<b>Architect(s):</b>	
<b>Architectural Style(s):</b>	Georgian; Gothic Revival; Greek Revival
<b>Use(s):</b>	Church
<b>Significance:</b>	Architecture; Religion
<b>Area(s):</b>	GRN.B: West Granville GRN.G: West Granville Historic District
<b>Designation(s):</b>	Nat'l Register District (11/05/1991)
<b>Building Materials(s):</b>	Wall: Wood; Wood Clapboard



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FORM B - BUILDING

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Town Granville

Address 1580 Main Road

Historic Name Second Church of Christ Con-  
 gregational

Use: Present Church

Original Church

DESCRIPTION

Date 1778

Source Church History

Style Georgian/Greek  
 Gothic & Renaissance Rev.

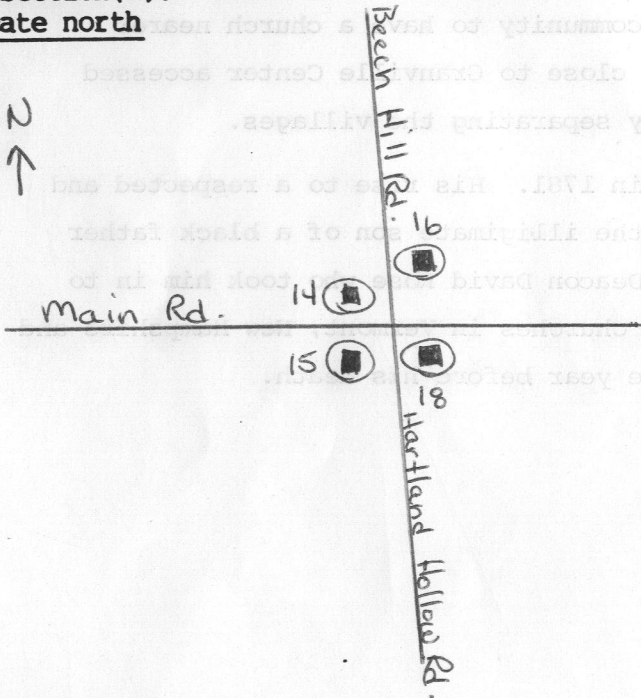
Architect Unknown

Exterior Wall Fabric Clapboard

Outbuildings None

Location  
 Buildings

Intersection(s).  
 Indicate north



Major Alterations (with dates)

Pavillion 1837 Window & spires late 19th  
 century.

Condition Good

Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Acreeage Less than 1 acre

Setting Village

UTM REFERENCE \_\_\_\_\_

USGS QUADRANGLE West Granville

SCALE 1:25,000

Recorded by Joanne Keim - PVPC

Organization Granville Historic Commission

Date August 1987

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

**ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE** Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.

This building is the earliest surviving church in Granville. This 2-story, gable-roofed structure has had extensive changes, but retains an original overhang on the east and west facades. The projecting pavillion with 3 entry doors and triangular pediment, and the tower were probably added when the Academy was built in 1837. The spires on the steeple and the elliptical arched second-story window probably appeared later in the century.

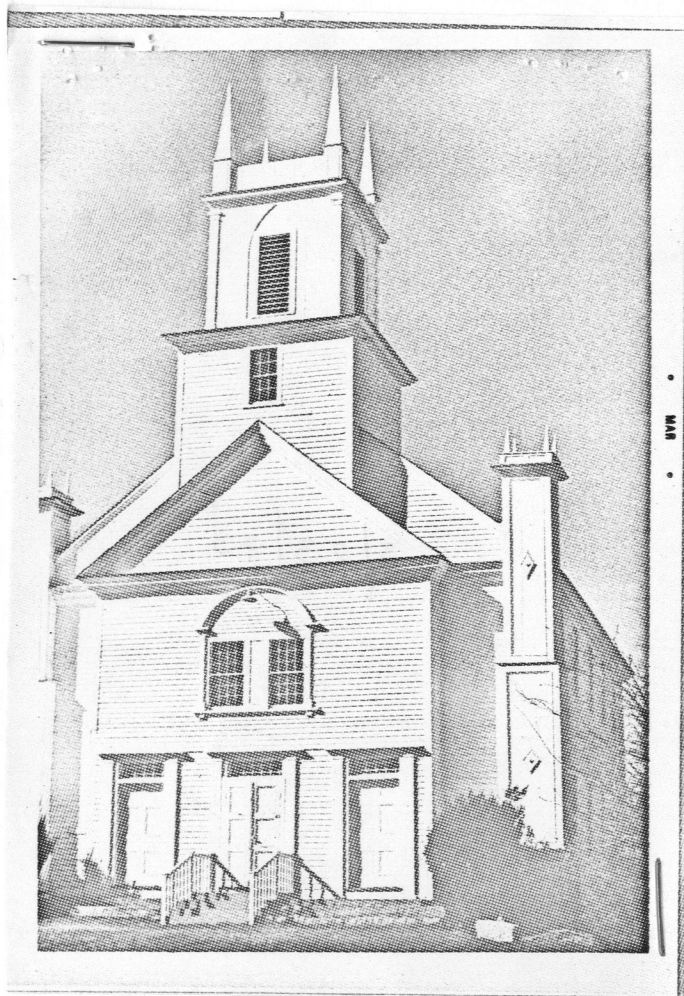
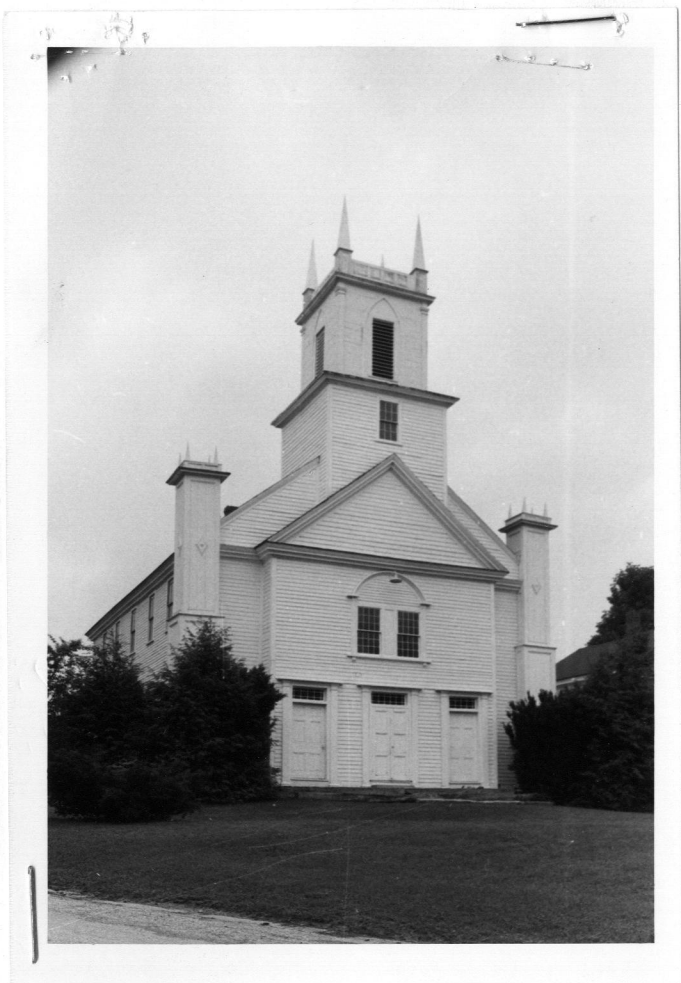
**HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE** Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.

This building was erected in 1778 as the Second Church of Christ Congregational. It reflects the need for the growing West Granville community to have a church nearer their homes. The First Congregational Church was close to Granville Center accessed only by a difficult route through the Great Valley separating the villages.

Lemuel Hayes was installed as the first minister in 1781. His rise to a respected and well-known minister is remarkable because he was the illegimate son of a black father and white mother. He spent his early years with Deacon David Rose who took him in to work as a servant until the age of 21. He served churches in Vermont, New Hampshire and New York before retiring to Granville in 1833, one year before his death.

**BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES**

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