

First German Reformed Church Area Study,
129-151 North Fourth Street (Houses)
Philadelphia
Philadelphia County
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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE PENNSYLVANIA	COUNTY PHILADELPHIA	TOWN OR VICINITY PHILADELPHIA
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) FIRST GERMAN REFORMED CHURCH AREA STUDY, 129-151 NORTH FOURTH STREET (Houses)		HABS NO. PA-1418
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) (see Historic name of structure)		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) At various times bet. 1745 and 1804.	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE)	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Brick dwelling houses in a German community area. Nos. 129-135 were owned by the German Lutheran Church from 1771 to 1848		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS)		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE)		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Brick stringcourses on most houses. Nos. 133-135: pent eaves.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Original interior information: No. 129: tabernacle frames, surbase, dentil cornice; No. 131: surbase, single architrave and moldings; paneled chimney breasts, plain winding stairs; No. 133: surbase, paneled chimney breast, winding stairs; No. 135: baseboard, single moldings, winding stairs. Information for all other houses not available.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES No. 131 was originally 2 1/2 stories, now 3 1/2 stories; No. 129 raised 1 story later. All structures were altered for stores later.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Information for interior as mentioned above is based on fire insurance surveys (name of company or companies not known). Other information is based on Richard Webster's <u>Philadelphia Preserved</u> , published in 1976 by Temple University Press.		
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