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# OHIO HISTORIC INVENTORY

1. No. <u>ERI-1581</u> 2. County <u>ERIE</u> 3. Location of Negatives <u>O.H.S.</u>	4. Present Name(s) <u>German Reformed Church</u> 5. Other Name(s) <u>The Stone Church</u>	1. No. <u>ERI-1581</u> 2. County <u>ERIE</u> 4. Present Name(s) <u>GERMAN REFORMED CHURCH</u> 5. Other Name(s) <u>STONE CHURCH</u>
6. Specific Location <u>East side of Division St.,                  4th building north of Meth-                  odist church.</u>	16. Thematic Category <u>Religion, ethnic</u> 17. Date(s) or Period <u>1866</u>	28. No. of Stories 29. Basement? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 30. Foundation Material <u>Crsd.rubble lime st</u> 31. Wall Construction <u>Crsd.rubble lime st</u> 32. Roof Type & Material <u>gable/asph.shingl</u> 33. No. of Bays Front <u>3</u> Side <u>3</u> 34. Wall Treatment <u>Crsd.rubble lime st</u> 35. Plan Shape <u>Rectang.</u>
7. City or Town If Rural, Township & Vicinity <u>Kelleys Island, Ohio</u> 8. Site Plan with North Arrow 	18. Style or Design <u>Italianate Vernacular</u> 19. Architect or Engineer 20. Contractor or Builder <u>Congregation</u> 21. Original Use, if apparent <u>Church</u> 22. Present Use <u>Historical Museum</u> 23. Ownership Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 24. Owner's Name & Address, if known <u>K.I. Historical Association</u>	36. Changes (Explain in #42) Addition <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered <input type="checkbox"/> Moved <input type="checkbox"/> 37. Condition Interior <u>good</u> Exterior <u>excellent</u> 38. Preservation Underway? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> 39. Endangered? By What? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 40. Visible from Public Road? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> 41. Distance from and Frontage on Road <u>30'</u>
9. U.T.M. Reference 17 35 75 40 46 06 40 0 10. Site Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input type="checkbox"/> 11. On National Register? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 12. Is It Eligible? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> 13. Part of Estab. Hist. Dist.? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 14. District Potent'? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> 15. Name of Established District <u>N/A</u>	25. Open to Public? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> 26. Local Contact Person or Organization <u>Kevin Pape; K.I. Hist. Survey</u> 27. Other Surveys in Which Included <u>N/A</u>	42. Further Description of Important Features (Continue on reverse if necessary) <u>This imposing front-gabled structure is composed along simple, but elegant lines. Its moderately sloping roof is capped by a tower and steeple that rises from the gable end over the front door. The frame tower is square and trimmed with chamfered columns at the corners. Each face contains a pair of arched, louvered vents and the tower is graced by an octago-</u> 43. History and Significance <u>By 1865, the German Reformed Church was the second formal congregation to be established on Kelleys Island, after the Roman Catholics organized St. Michael's parish (ERI-1558) in 1863. Like St. Michael's, the congregation of this church turned to the native stone as the proper material to construct a substantial edifice. Unlike the Catholic Church,</u> 44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings <u>Historically, this was the only island church to have a livery stable. The stables were long and narrow with a shed roof open to the north. They were situated southwest of the church. The parsonage for this</u>
5. Sources of Information <u>Hill, History of Kelleys Island</u>	46. Prepared by <u>Kevin Pape</u> 47. Organization <u>K.I. Planning Comm</u> 48. Date <u>8/85</u> 49. Revision Date(s)	

<p>50. House Type No.</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="border: none;">Code No.</td> <td style="border: none;">Name</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="border: none;">_____</td> <td style="border: none;">_____</td> </tr> </table>	Code No.	Name	_____	_____	<p>53. Farmstead Plan</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 50px; height: 100px; margin: 0 auto;"></div>				
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<p>51. Historic Outbuildings and Dependencies</p> <p>Barn Type(s)</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="border: none;">Code No.</td> <td style="border: none;">Type</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="border: none;">_____</td> <td style="border: none;">_____</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="border: none;">_____</td> <td style="border: none;">_____</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="border: none;">_____</td> <td style="border: none;">_____</td> </tr> </table> <p>Corn Crib or Shed <input type="checkbox"/>     Smoke House <input type="checkbox"/>     Privy <input type="checkbox"/>  Silo <input type="checkbox"/>     Spring House     Carriage House <input type="checkbox"/>  Summer Kitchen <input type="checkbox"/>     or Ice House</p> <p>Other _____</p>	Code No.	Type	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 50px; height: 100px; margin: 0 auto;"></div>
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<p>52. Archaeological Site on Property?</p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/>  No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Basis for Information</p> <p>Owner Collection <input type="checkbox"/>  Above Ground Earthworks or Mound <input type="checkbox"/>  Cultural Materials Noted <input type="checkbox"/>     OAI No. _____</p>	<p>54. Photo</p> <p>Roll No. _____     Picture No(s) _____</p>								

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nal steeple that tapers to a small spire. The steeple is a later addition. A simple, gable-wall, brick chimney is located opposite the steeple. The roofline is accented by pronounced cornice returns and a very wide frieze board along the eave and gable walls. The body of the church is constructed of coursed, rubble limestone trimmed by dressed quoins, and a cut-stone water table across the front. The facade and eave walls are balanced with three bays composing each elevation. The arched double door is accented by an arched fanlight and recessed into a central pavilion that rises to the steeple. Like the doorway, the windows are also arched and have arched lintels and dressed lug sills. They are double-hung, 6/4 light configuration. A frame, shed-roofed addition was recently built on the rear. The interior features a chair loft and two ranks of free standing pews flanking a central aisle. The sanctuary is separated from the congregational area by a single one-step platform across the front of the church.
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however, the proportions of their original building effort sufficed through time and subsequent additions were unnecessary. The natural stone exterior of this church contrasts with the stucco exterior that was necessary to mask the mixture of brick and stone materials used in building the additions to St. Michael's. Members of this congregation quarried stone by hand from the church property, southeast of the present building. At one time, with the creation of the German Evangelical Church in 1871 (ERI-1622) and because of the number of German immigrants on the island, there were two German language congregations on the island. The latter congregation built a second church (ERI-1548) and in 1946, merged with the Evangelical and United Brethren ministry. Regular services in the German Reformed Church continued to the early 1900's, although the last service was held