

## 111 Church Street

This structure dates back to 1871, at which time it was built as a meeting hall for the Church of the Brethren. The land to build the church was purchased by the Brethren community from the pre-civil war era house to the left. The materials for the massive beams, stone foundation and two foot deep brick exterior were cut, mined and created from western Carroll woods and creeks.

It is said that during it's use that half of the town of New Windsor attended the services here and the other half of town traveled to the Brethren church just over the county line in Frederick.

During the 1910's, the Church of the Brethren built a seminary in town; "New Windsor College". Along with it's administrative, classroom and dorm buildings, the Brethren community also built a church on campus. Because there was no use for two churches in town, 111 Church Street was converted to a house in 1917.

Most of the original structure is still visible, however the ceilings have been dropped from 15 feet to 12 and the early double French doors have disappeared over the past 100 years. Hidden behind existing walls are pocket doors and the flue for the front chimney. The back yard was also acquired in this time from the same property that granted the land be sold to build the original church.

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