72-009-09 Fairmount Heights School
737 61st Avenue
Fairmount Heights
Built in 1912, the Fairmount Heights School is a two-story frame schoolhouse of institutional Foursquare form. A pyramidal-roof cupola rises from the front plane of the hip roof; it has been enclosed but the original school bell is preserved inside. Designed by noted African-American architect W. Sidney Pittman, the school opened in 1912; it was the first school in the new community of Fairmount Heights, and the first in Prince George's County to offer industrial training for black students. The school was closed in 1934 and for 70 years served as the Mount Zion Apostolic Faith Church.