

86A-027-08 St. Thomas' Episcopal Church Rectory 10108 Croom Road

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Built from 1852–53, with additions in 1887 and 1919, St. Thomas' Rectory is a Greek Revival style cross-gabled frame dwelling. It is the only historic dwelling of cruciform plan surviving in the county. The main block consists of a two-and-one-half-story front-gabled section flanked by two-story wings. Located on a knoll behind St. Thomas' Episcopal Church, the dwelling was built for Rector Samuel R. Gordon, St. Thomas' priest from 1853 to 1882. It was sold by the church as a private residence in 1964. The planning and progress of its construction were carefully recorded in the vestry minutes, including the original specifications, and the details of 1887 and 1919 renovations. The widely-spaced shingles are an interesting and unusual stylistic treatment.