

# SMETHPORT HISTORIC REGISTRY PROPERTY

## 1891: St. Luke's Episcopal Church

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602 W. Main Street, Smethport, PA



Famed Architect William Halsey Wood of New Jersey was hired by Henry Hamlin to design Saint Lukes.

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**S**t. Luke's Church, designed by famed architect William Halsey Wood, is of the 14th century English Gothic style. At the south east corner of the building is placed a square battemented tower, 17x17 feet in width, walls 2 1/2 feet thick. Inside the sanctuary are massive brick columns supporting arches, also of brick, between the aisles and the nave. Central passage-way, aisles, choir and sanctuary floors feature custom-fired tiled. The altar slab is one piece of pure white marble and the steps leading to the altar are Tennessee marble. The massive roof timbers are bolted together and the ceiling is yellow pine. An ornate wood screen of oak, divides the nave from the chancel. These interior appointments were manufactured from special designs prepared by the noted architect, William Halsey Wood.

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