



MONTGOMERY HISTORICAL SOCIETY WEST WALL CAPITAL CAMPAIGN



The Montgomery Historical Society was formed in 1973 in a grass roots effort to save the Town's former Episcopal Church from demolition. This iconic community and New England landmark, initially completed in 1835, was Montgomery's first church. It underwent major modifications between 1870 and 1890, no doubt influenced by VT's first Episcopal Bishop, John Henry Hopkins, an authority on gothic design. Stunning stained glass windows, a clock, a bell, and gothic tower and moldings were installed. The church was purchased by the newly formed Society for \$1.00. in 1974 and it is now on the National Register of Historic Places.

What we've done...

The Society has carried on several major projects: including a new roof; removing the clock, bell, and top two sections of the tower steeple in 1976 and re-installing them in 1985; cleaning and restoring the stained glass windows from 1990-1995; and making structural repairs since then.

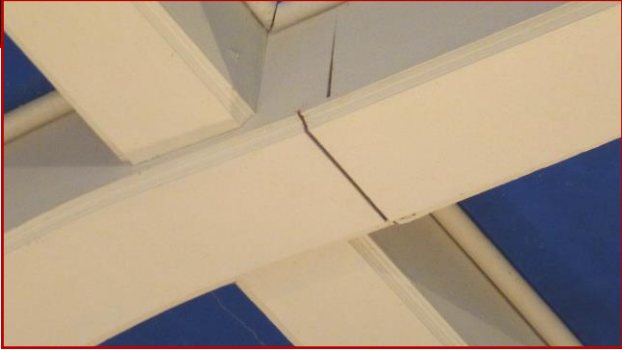
In 2010 the Society began preservation and structural work on the entry vestibule and bottom section of the tower. The project took three years and involved over \$80,000 in direct costs, donated goods and services, and volunteer labor. Additionally we've funded expert technical evaluations by a preservation architect and restoration timber framer. Their estimates show approximately \$150,000 of work is urgently needed on the west nave wall.

What we still need to do...

The work will include a new foundation, drainage, structural restoration of the timber framed wall and truss, and period architectural detail. We will have to remove, protect, and re-install the three stained glass windows. A link to a short YouTube video explaining what needs to be done and its urgency is on our home page. This will easily be the largest, most complex, and most expensive project we've ever attempted. We will need all of you, and with your help we can't miss.



West Wall Sag and Bulge



Ceiling Beam Crack



Crack Under Stained Glass Window

How you can help...

Donate cash. A pledge/donation form is below you can clip and mail with a check.
 Donate online at our website using PayPal or your credit card.

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**Montgomery Historical Society
 Pratt Hall West Wall Capital Campaign**

Yes, I would like to help restore the historic nave west wall and protect the stained glass windows. Please accept my pledge or payment of:

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