

SELF-GUIDED HISTORIC CHURCH TOUR

HERITAGE CELEBRATION - OCTOBER 16, 2021

This tour is self-guided. Some locations will offer guided tours others will be open house for you to explore on your own. Please see each location for tour specific information.



SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH 503 N. QUEEN ST.

 10:30am - 12:30am  Guided Tour  Stained Glass  Historic Landmark

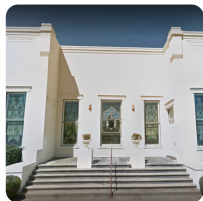
This Victorian Gothic style church was constructed in 1893. A total of 675,000 bricks were molded by hand and baked on the site from mud brought by wagon from the Trinity River. The Stations of the Cross were hung between 1901 and 1915. The stained glass windows are from Italy and France.



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 410 AVENUE A

 10:30am - 2:00pm  Guided Tour  Stained Glass  Historic Landmark

This Gothic Revival church building was built in 1887-88, and is the oldest church in Palestine continuously serving a congregation.



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH 113 E. CRAWFORD

 10:00am - 2:00pm  Guided Tour  Stained Glass  Historic Landmark

Built in 1905, the original sanctuary was used until 1955 when the present sanctuary was completed directly to the east. Over the next several years the 1905 structure was transformed into an educational building with administrative offices.






MOUNT VERNON A.M.E. CHURCH 913 CALHOUN ST

 10:30am - 12:30am  Viewing Room  Stained Glass  Historic Landmark

This historic building is currently under renovations after being designated as an Endangered Place by the Texas Historical Commission. While the main sanctuary is closed for renovations visitors are welcome to view it from a viewing room with historical exhibits.



PILGRIM CHURCH 1559 FM 861 ELKHART, TX 75839

 10:30am - 2:00pm  Self guided  Historic Landmark

An authentic reconstruction of the original 1833 house of worship, said to be the first Protestant church in Texas. Take 287 to Elkhart; right on 294, into Elkhart; cross RR tracks and turn left on 861, church is on the left.