

## INTERLACHEN



**c. 1885**

### First Congregational Church

♦ 415 E. Washington St, Interlachen

Erected in 1884-85 with 26 construction pledges on 2 parcels of donated land, it is the oldest church in Interlachen. In the early days, it welcomed people from any recognized Protestant denomination, many who later formed their own congregations & built their own churches.

## MELROSE



**c. 1886**

### Trinity Episcopal Church

♦ 204 State Rd 26, Melrose

Carpenter Gothic style, constructed with board & batten siding, steeply-pitched gable roof and a simple cross on top. Cost \$327.71 to build.

## GRANDIN



**c. 1856**

### Paran Baptist Church

♦ 125 Paran Church Rd, Grandin

There have been three church buildings on this site; the first was a log cabin. The present building, dedicated in 1904, has cathedral arched windows & a steeple with a bell, and stands on the exact location of the original building.

## FEDERAL POINT



**c. 1882**

### St. Paul's Episcopal Church

♦ 130 Commercial Ave, East Palatka

Built for the sum of \$1,000 with the stipulation that the congregation would transport the lumber from the river to the church property. The beautiful stained glass windows were purchased with funds raised from the sale of hollowed alligator eggs painted with Florida scenes.

## SAN MATEO



**c. 1885**

### San Mateo Presbyterian Church

♦ 201 Currie Rd, San Mateo

Costing a total of \$2,800, construction began in 1884 and the building was dedicated on the Sabbath in 1885.

## WELAKA



**c. 1890**

### Emmanuel Episcopal Church

♦ 672 County Rd 309, Welaka

Carpenter Gothic style, horizontal heart-of-pine board siding exterior, with interior herringbone patterned two-inch tongue & groove paneling.

The church was founded 3 years after the town in 1887.



**c. 1889**

### United Methodist Church

♦ 682 3rd St, Welaka

The freeze of 1895 devastated the economy of the town and many of the residents of this small church had to relocate to earn a living. It was many years later before the congregation began to grow again.

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St Mark's Episcopal Church, Palatka



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## PALATKA



**c. 1854**  
**St. Mark's Episcopal Church**  
 ♦ 200 Main St, Palatka  
 The oldest religious building in Palatka. Occupied by Union Soldiers during the Civic War.



**c. 1883**  
**St. Mary's Episcopal Church**  
 ♦ 809 St Johns Ave, Palatka  
 Gothic Revival style, features board & batten siding, lancet windows and curvilinear trim at the gable ends.



**c. 1881**  
**First Presbyterian Church**  
 ♦ 121 South 2nd St, Palatka  
 Romanesque Revival style, clock & bell tower topped with a hipped roof.

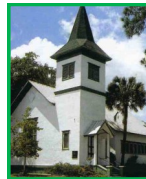


**c. 1897**  
**St. Monica's Catholic Church**  
 ♦ 114 South 4th St, Palatka  
 3rd oldest church in St Augustine Diocese. Romanesque Revival style, masonry walls are highlighted by semi-circular arched windows. The fixed stained-glass windows are splendid works of art. A square bell tower supports an inspiring metal shingle-clad spire. Parapets rise on the east & west gables.



**c. 1852**  
**Peniel Baptist Church**  
 ♦ 5227 Silver Lake Dr, Palatka  
 Vernacular with drop-lap siding & corner boards, common to rural churches during this era. Best noted for the Baptism & Ordination of Evangelist Billy Graham, who conducted services on several occasions in 1938-39.

## CRESCENT CITY



**c. 1883**  
**First Presbyterian Church**  
 ♦ 301 Cypress Ave, Crescent City  
 Began services in 1878 in a school house with 11 members. The manse was built in 1893, the chapel opened in 1910, and the beautiful stained glass windows were added in 1923.

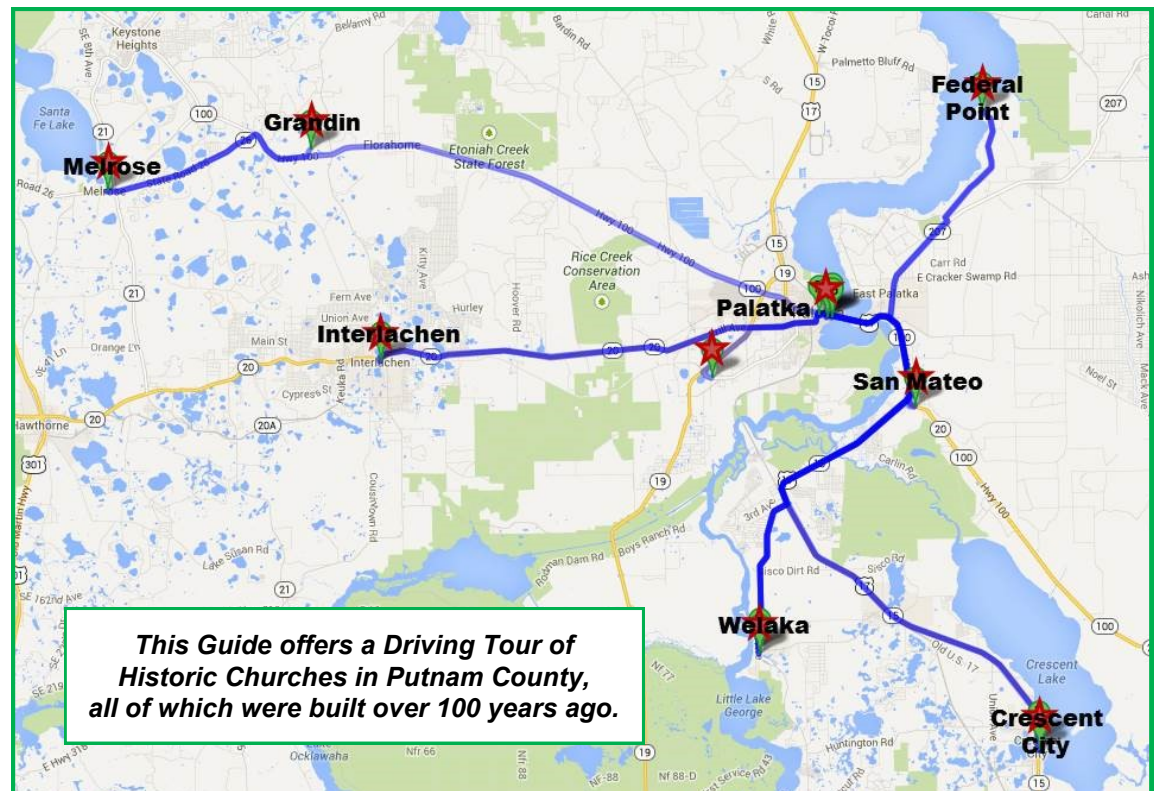


**c. 1876**  
**Episcopal Church Of The Holy Comforter**  
 ♦ 223 N. Summit St, Crescent City  
 Carpenter Gothic style, narrow lancet windows, high pitched roof with exposed rafters and batten exterior siding.



**c. 1890**  
**Union Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church**  
 ♦ 200 N Cedar St, Crescent City  
 Services began in 1890, after the building was moved from another site to this location. Nationally renowned labor organizer A. Philip Randolph attended here while his father was the preacher.

*Created in 1849 as the 28th county in Florida, Putnam County was named for Benjamin A. Putnam, who was a soldier in the Seminole War, a lawyer, a Florida legislator, and the first President of the Florida Historical Society.*



***This Guide offers a Driving Tour of Historic Churches in Putnam County, all of which were built over 100 years ago.***